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Shri Siddaramaiah
Hon'ble Chief Minister
Government of Karnataka

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Department of Health and Family Welfare
And
Kalyana Karnataka Region Development Board,
Kalaburagi

"Aarogya Aavishkara"

Shri D.K.Shivakumar
Hon'ble Deputy Chief Minister
Government of Karnataka

Shri Mallikarjun Kharge
Hon'ble Leader of the Opposition, Rajya Sabha.

Total Estimate Cost
₹416.68 Crores

KKRDB's Contribution
₹208.94 Crores

12 NEW
Construction of Primary Health Centres

06 NEW
Construction of Community Health Centres

01 NEW
Construction of Urban Health Centre

16 UPGRADATION
Upgradation of Community Health Centres from 30 to 50 beds

03 UPGRADATION
Upgradation of Taluk Health Centres from 100 beds to 150 beds

02 UPGRADATION
Upgradation of Community Health Centres from 30 to 100 beds

01 UPGRADATION
Upgradation of Primary Health Centre to 100 bed Community Health Centre

Date: 14.06.2025, Saturday | Time: 11 AM | Venue: District Stadium, Yadgir.

Shri Dinesh Gundu Rao
Hon'ble Minister,
Health & Family Welfare.
(A glimpse of the Honourable Minister speaking in the meeting)

Shri Sharanabasappa Darshanapur
Hon'ble Minister,
Small Scale Industries, Public Enterprises.
(A glimpse of the Honourable Minister speaking in the meeting)

Shri D. Sudhakar
Hon'ble Minister,
Planning and Statistics.
(A glimpse of the Honourable Minister speaking in the meeting)

Dr. Ajay Dharam Singh
Hon'ble Chairman,
Kalyana Karnataka Region Development Board, Kalaburagi
MLA, Jewargi.
(A glimpse of the Honourable Chairman speaking in the meeting)

Total Health Facilities approved from Department of Health and Family Welfare and KKRDB 41

06 Bidar | 10 Kalaburagi | 09 Yadgir | 10 Raichur | 06 Koppal

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Markram leads the way as SA chases 282

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Black box recovered from roof of hostel; Modi visits crash site

- PM holds review meeting; AIIB starts formal probe, Ahmedabad police register case of accidental death
- Six bodies handed over to relatives, DNA profiling to identify remaining victims under way, say police

Jagriti Chandra
AHMEDABAD

The Aircraft Accident Investigation Bureau (AAIB) recovered the black box from the wreckage of the Air India flight AI-171 in Ahmedabad on Friday evening, seeking crucial evidence into the causes of the deadly crash that killed at least 241 people on board a day earlier. There is no official data yet on the numbers of people killed on the ground.

Prime Minister Narendra Modi visited the accident site on Friday. "The scene of devastation is saddening. Our thoughts remain with those who lost their loved ones in this unimaginable tragedy," the Prime Minister posted on social media. He also chaired a review meeting at Ahmedabad airport with top authorities.

Mr. Modi also spoke to Vishwas Kumar Ramesh, the lone on board survivor, and also met other injured persons.

Meanwhile, British High Commissioner to India Lindy Cameron met Mr. Modi in Ahmedabad and said the two countries were working together to establish the facts of the crash.

Taking stock: Prime Minister Narendra Modi with Civil Aviation Minister Ram Mohan Naidu at the crash site in Ahmedabad on Friday. ANI

The Aircraft Accident Investigation Bureau (AAIB) has already launched a formal investigation into the incident, while Ahmedabad city police have registered a case of accidental death. Officials of the National Investigation Agency (NIA) and other central agencies on Friday visited the plane crash site in Meghaninagar area, sources said.

Of the 265 bodies brought to the Ahmedabad Civil Hospital for post-mortem on Thursday, six victims were identified and their bodies handed over to relatives, police inspector Chirag Gosai said.

He said DNA profiling is under way to ascertain the identities of others as their bodies are charred beyond recognition. "It will take nearly 72 hours to complete the exercise of matching the DNA samples. Once there is a match, bodies will be handed over to relatives" Mr. Gosai added.

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DGCA issues guidelines for AI's Dreamliner fleet

Sandeep Phukan
NEW DELHI

The Directorate General of Civil Aviation on Friday issued fresh inspection guidelines for the Air India's Boeing 787 Dreamliner fleet, with a one-time check for all aircraft before departure with effect from Sunday. Checks include fuel parameter monitoring and associated system checks.

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Israel hits Iran nuclear sites, top military leaders; Tehran sends missiles in retaliation

Associated Press
DUBAI

Israel launched a blistering attack on the heart of Iran's nuclear and military structure on Friday, deploying warplanes and drones smuggled into the country to target key facilities and kill top Generals and scientists – a barrage it said was necessary before its adversary got any closer to building an atomic weapon.

Iran quickly retaliated, sending a swarm of drones at Israel as Supreme Leader Ayatollah Ali Khamenei warned of "severe punishment".

Israel's military said about 200 aircraft were involved in the initial attack on about 100 targets.

Later on Friday night, air raid sirens sounded across Israel ahead of an Iranian missile attack.

The rumble of explosions could be heard throughout Jerusalem, and Israeli TV stations showed plumes of smoke rising in Tel Aviv after an apparent missile strike. There were no immediate reports of casualties.

The Army said dozens of missiles were launched and has ordered residents across the country to move into bomb shelters.

Israel's firefighting service said its teams were responding to several "major" incidents resulting from an Iranian missile attack, including efforts to rescue people trapped in a high-rise building.

"Firefighting crews are handling several major incidents, mainly in the Dan region" around Tel Aviv, a statement said, adding that "firefighters are working in a high-rise building to rescue trapped individuals and extinguish a fire, as well as responding to two additional destruction sites."

Deepening crisis: Firefighters extinguish a fire in a building in Tehran after the Israeli attack on Iran on Friday. GETTY IMAGES

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Modi conveys India's stand of peace to Israel

NEW DELHI
Prime Minister Narendra Modi called for "early restoration of peace" and conveyed Indian position in a phone call with Israeli PM Benjamin Netanyahu on Friday. » PAGE 12

Fresh conflict may impact oil supply to India

NEW DELHI
Israel's attack on Iran poses significant risks to India in terms of curtailed supplies of oil and a 40-50% increase in the export costs, according to trade experts. » PAGE 15

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State seeks hike in devolution of Central funds

BENGALURU
To overcome a stark imbalance in the devolution of funds from the Centre, Chief Minister Siddaramaiah has demanded that the share of taxes devolved to States be increased to at least 50%.
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Health Dept. to run '108' ambulances

BENGALURU
The State government has approved the proposal to bring the '108' Arogya Kavacha ambulance service under the direct management of the Health Department, ending its operation under private partnership. » Page 8

City ranks 14th in Global start-up ecosystem

BENGALURU
Bengaluru climbed seven spots to reach the 14th place in the GSER 2025, from 21st last year. » Page 6

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Assam CM gives shoot-at-sight order in Dhubri town; blames Bangladeshi groups for unrest

The Hindu Bureau
GUWAHATI

Assam Chief Minister Himanta Biswa Sarma on Friday gave a shoot-at-sight order to check communal tension in Dhubri town while accusing groups from Bangladesh of "organised attempts to incite communal violence". The town has been on edge since the severed head of a cow was found in front of a Hanuman Temple on June 8, a day after Id-ul-Azha (Bakrid) was observed.

"I have ordered a shoot-at-sight in Dhubri if any kind of untoward situation happens. The order is applicable for any illegal activities, including stone-pelting," Mr. Sarma told journalists after visiting Dhubri to assess the law-and-order situation there.

"The matter was resolved as leaders from both communities met, but the head of another cow was placed at the same spot the very next day, escalating tension," he said.

According to the 2011 Census, Muslims, mostly Bengali speakers, account for 74% the population of the district which is located about 290 km west of Guwahati.

Assam Chief Minister Himanta Biswa Sarma interacts with the local people in Dhubri on Friday. ANI

"A series of events aimed at stoking communal violence indicates a Bangladeshi force is at work in Dhubri," he said.

'Fundamentalist forces'

The Chief Minister said that there was an organised attempt to incite communal unrest through a campaign to make Dhubri a part of Bangladesh. Accusing fundamentalist forces in Bangladesh of targeting the district for a long time, the Chief Minister said secessionist posters attributed to a group named 'Nabin Bangla' calling for a fight to make Dhubri a part of Bangladesh were pasted in parts of the district – one even on an Army Signals infrastructure.

Mr. Sarma also issued a directive to immediately arrest all known criminals in the district. "Central security forces have been deployed in the communally sensitive areas to maintain peace and order," he said.

Mr. Sarma said that a new network of cattle smugglers has increased its activities over the past few months, bringing in cattle in large numbers from West Bengal. "We will investigate who is behind this network," he said, asserting the government's commitment to enforcing law and order and defeating all communal forces.

Cong. MLA Vinay Kulkarni surrenders as apex court refuses to extend time

The Hindu Bureau
NEW DELHI/BENGALURU

The Supreme Court on Friday declined to give Congress MLA from Dharwad Vinay Kulkarni more time to surrender in a case related to the 2016 murder of BJP leader Yogeshgouda Goudar. Following this, he surrendered before the special court of magistrate for criminal cases against former and present MPs and MLAs in Bengaluru on Friday.

Vinay Kulkarni

As the CBI did not seek his custody, he was remanded in judicial custody for 14 days. He was later shifted to Parappana Agrahara Central Prison Complex.

Earlier in the day, the apex court found no reason to give Mr. Kulkarni relief after having cancelled his bail the previous week over allegations of witness tampering and asked him to surrender in a week.

Appearing before a Vacation Bench headed by Justice P.K. Mishra, a lawyer representing Mr. Kulkarni said his client was a sitting MLA and Chairman of the Karnataka Water Supply Board. He had to attend a meeting scheduled this week in connection with his duties as the chairman of the board.

An earlier Vacation Bench headed by Justice Sanjay Karol, on June 6, cancelled the interim bail of Mr. Kulkarni after noting that there was sufficient material to suggest that efforts were made to tamper with evidence and influence witnesses.

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Two children among five killed as APSRTC bus rams truck near Hoskote

The Hindu Bureau
BENGALURU

Five persons, including two children, were killed and 15 others injured when an Andhra Pradesh State Road Transport Corporation bus from Tirupati to Bengaluru, rammed a truck on the outskirts of Hoskote, in the early hours of Friday.

The deceased have been identified as Keshava Reddy, 55, Tulasi, 21, Pranati, 4, Sharada Reddy, 42, and Ruthwik, 1.

While three of them were declared brought dead in hospitals in Hoskote, Ruthwik and Sharada Reddy succumbed to injuries while undergoing treatment.

The injured are being treated in two private hospitals at Hoskote, and the police said they were out of danger.

The accident reportedly occurred when the driver of the bus, in a bid overtake the truck, lost control of the vehicle and rammed the truck.

The impact of the accident was such that the front and right portion of the bus were severely damaged.

The APSRTC bus that was involved in the accident at Hoskote on Friday.

One of the injured passengers, Madan Mohan Reddy, told presspersons that he boarded the bus in Chittoor, and had fallen asleep.

"There was a sudden jerk and before we could realise what had happened, there were screams and people lying injured," he said.

The Hoskote traffic police have registered a case against the bus driver, who was also injured and is said to be in a critical condition. The police have seized the bus.

GETTY IMAGES

After several blockbusters and a few flops, Bazball faces a moment of reckoning

Despite coming unstuck against the turning ball in Asia, the style has served England well. Only Australia has a better Test record over the last three years. But Bazball confronts a stern challenge in 2025-26: five Tests against India at home and five away in the Ashes

P.K. Ajith Kumar

After being dropped from England's squad for the Test tour of the West Indies in 2022, Stuart Broad wrote in his column in *Mail on Sunday* about the state of his mind. "It hit me pretty hard," conceded one half of England's deadliest ever bowling duo (the other half, James Anderson, had also been dropped).

Broad admitted it affected his sleep. He was, however, assured by England Cricket Board interim managing director Andrew Strauss that it wasn't the end of the road. Mere words of consolation those weren't. Broad was back for the home series against New Zealand that summer.

A rude shock

But, at the first training session at Lord's ahead of the first Test, he was in for a shock. Newly appointed captain Ben Stokes told him, "Broady, I just want to let you know, I am going to whack every ball you bowl for four or six."

Broad, who was hoping, on his return, to impress the skipper and new coach Brendon McCullum, was taken aback. "Really?" he wondered. "Why?"

"I want the guys I am going to lead this week to look at me and see that I am playing fearlessly, even in training, testing my limits," replied Stokes.

Broad's thoughts were slightly different: "All my teammates are now going to see me get thumped everywhere."

The prolific seamer, nevertheless, charged in and bowled what he would to Tom Latham in the Test, at the top of the left-hander's off-stump. Stokes kept his word. "He must have scored 150 in half-an-hour," Broad reckoned.

That was the teaser for Bazball.

McCullum and Stokes together authored a new, exciting chapter in the story of the century-and-a-half-old Test cricket. That summer saw England play stunningly aggressive cricket to win chasing in four successive Tests, the targets among the 13 biggest in England's history. The highest of those came against India at Edgbaston, in the rescheduled fifth Test from the 2021 series – England made 378 for three at 4.93 runs an over. Against the Kiwis, too, two of the chases were achieved at rates of 5.98 and 5.44.

Bazball has made Test cricket more interesting. And England definitely needed that. But it will be interesting to see how it fares once Stokes and McCullum leave the stage

Bazball had arrived.

Three years later, it is facing its biggest challenge, across 10 Tests spread over seven months. The first of those Tests starts at Leeds on Friday. The five-match India series will be followed by the Ashes in Australia.

When England and Australia last met in a Test series, two summers ago, Bazball had divided opinion, after the 2-2 score, with one Test being drawn (rain washed out the final day). Draw was no option, though, when McCullum set Bazball rolling against New Zealand in 2022.

In the second Test at Trent Bridge, England had been set a target of 299 from 72 overs on the final day. At tea, the score was 139 for four, with Jonny Bairstow and Stokes at the crease.

Ben Foakes was the next man in, so he went up to McCullum and said, "Baz, if we lose another wicket, are we blocking for the draw, do we shut it down?"

Before answering, McCullum asked the team to gather around him. "I don't believe in draws, we are going to win this game," said the man who once battled for 775 minutes to help New Zealand get a draw against India. He turned to Anderson, England's No. 11, and said, "Jimmy, if you get in, try to hit every ball for four."

Jimmy didn't need to. Bairstow (136, 92b), Stokes (75 n.o., 70b) and Foakes (12 n.o., 15b) took England home in just 50 overs.

Dazzling home and away

Though the Englishmen lost the first Test against South Africa later that summer, they won the following two to clinch the series. Bazball dazzled

Bazball needn't – and shouldn't – be the only way to play Test cricket. McCullum may not enjoy it, but the draw salvaged from the brink of defeat is one of the many things that make Test cricket the greatest theatre in sport

in its first away series, too. England won all three Tests in Pakistan, the highlight being the 74-run victory in the first Test at Rawalpindi after making 657 in the first innings in just 101 overs.

On England's next tour of the subcontinent, an even more important victory was recorded, against India at Hyderabad in 2024. Ollie Pope, who made a brilliant 196 in the third innings, showed how the reverse sweep could be more useful than the defensive blade against India's feared spin attack.

But, Jasprit Bumrah's reverse swing brought India right back into the series with a win in the second Test at Visakhapatnam. The host went on to claim the five-match series 4-1 to deal Bazball its biggest blow.

The next tour to Asia too would end in disappointment for England, losing to Pakistan 1-2. The opening Test last October witnessed some classic Bazball, though. In their only innings, the Englishmen amassed 823 for seven (declared) at a run-rate of 5.48 to post an innings win.

But, Pakistan decided to bet heavily on spinners with tracks that assisted them (at the insistence of new selector Aaqib Javed), and used huge industrial fans to dry the pitch at Multan, where the first Test was also played. The home side won the second Test and then the third, at Rawalpindi, where wicketkeeper Mohammad Rizwan sledged England's triple-centurion from the first Test, Harry Brook, "This is Aaqib-ball now."

It was evident: Bazball would struggle on turners. The all-out aggressive approach cannot work all the time. And you don't really need to declare your innings on the first day of the Test itself. There are other, less risky, ways to win, too. (At Birmingham in 2023, England declared against Australia on the opening day and went on to lose by two wickets).

But, the fact remains that Bazball has served England well over the last three years (63.9% win-rate). Only Australia (64.5%) has a better record in Tests in that period.

And over time, McCullum and Stokes have fine-tuned their style. They have shown they can rein in aggression, or recklessness, a bit when the situation demands it. They may have to do more of that if they want to beat India at home and then Australia in Australia, which cannot be easy, against one of the most potent Test attacks of all time.

What the future holds

Bazball has made an impact. It will be interesting to see how it fares once Stokes and McCullum leave the stage. Bazball has worked because of the way the duo has functioned as coach and captain. "Baz and Stokesy are the same people," Broad said. There probably hasn't been a pair like that in cricket.

The likes of Jamie Smith – his Bazball batting has kept Foakes, described by Adam Gilchrist as the best wicketkeeper to spin he has seen, out of the team – and Jacob Bethell could provide a sense of continuity, yes. And of course, Brook is still pretty young.

Bazball has made Test cricket more interesting, surely. And England definitely needed that after losing its four previous series.

Bazball needn't – and shouldn't – be the only way to play Test cricket, however. McCullum may not enjoy it much, but the draw salvaged from the brink of defeat is one of the many things that make Test cricket the greatest theatre in sport.

STACKING UP

ATP Men's Top 15

#	Player	Age	Points	Events
1	Jannik Sinner	23	10,880	16
2	Carlos Alcaraz	22	8,850	20
3	Alexander Zverev	28	6,385	23
4	Jack Draper	23	4,800	18
5	Novak Djokovic	38	4,630	19
6	Lorenzo Musetti	23	4,560	21
7	Taylor Fritz	27	4,485	20
8	Tommy Paul	28	3,510	21
9	Holger Rune	22	3,440	23
10	Alex de Minaur	26	3,285	23
11	Daniil Medvedev	29	3,100	20
12	Ben Shelton	22	3,080	24
13	Frances Tiafoe	27	3,015	26
14	Arthur Fils	20	2,935	22
15	Andrey Rublev	27	2,920	29

Top Indians ▶

Sumit Nagal
Rank 233 ▼ 63 spots

Mukund Sasikumar
Rank 430 ▲ 8 spots

WTA Women's Top 15

#	Player	Age	Points	Events
1	Aryna Sabalenka	27	11,553	19
2	Coco Gauff	21	8,083	20
3	Jessica Pegula	31	6,483	22
4	Jasmine Paolini	29	4,805	18
5	Qinwen Zheng	22	4,668	19
6	Mirra Andreeva	18	4,636	18
7	Iga Swiatek	24	4,618	16
8	Madison Keys	30	4,484	18
9	Paula Badosa	27	3,684	22
10	Emma Navarro	24	3,649	24
11	Elena Rybakina	25	3,358	19
12	Diana Shnaider	21	3,168	27
13	Elina Svitolina	30	3,035	16
14	Karolina Muchova	28	2,929	17
15	Amanda Anisimova	23	2,804	21

Top Indians ▶

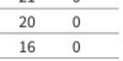
Shrivalli Bhamidipaty
Rank 318 ▲ 17 spots

Ankita Raina
Rank 339 ▼ 25 spots

F1 Drivers' standings

#	Driver	Team	Points	Wins
1	Oscar Piastri	McLaren	186	5
2	Lando Norris	McLaren	176	2
3	Max Verstappen	Red Bull	137	2
4	George Russell	Mercedes	111	0
5	Charles Leclerc	Ferrari	94	0
6	Lewis Hamilton	Ferrari	71	0
7	Kimi Antonelli	Mercedes	48	0
8	Alexander Albon	Williams	42	0
9	Isack Hadjar	Racing Bulls	21	0
10	Esteban Ocon	Haas	20	0
11	Nico Hulkenberg	Sauber	16	0
12	Lance Stroll	Aston Martin	14	0
13	Carlos Sainz	Williams	12	0
14	Pierre Gasly	Alpine	11	0
15	Yuki Tsunoda	Red Bull	10	0
16	Oliver Bearman	Haas	6	0
17	Liam Lawson	Racing Bulls	4	0
18	Fernando Alonso	Aston Martin	2	0
19	Gabriel Bortoleto	Sauber	0	0
20	Jack Doohan	Alpine	0	0

Oscar Piastri



Lando Norris

F1 Constructors' standings

Pos	Team	Points	Wins
1	McLaren	362	7
2	Ferrari	165	0
3	Mercedes	159	0
4	Red Bull	144	2
5	Williams	54	0
6	RB	28	0
7	Haas	26	0
8	Kick Sauber	16	0
9	Aston Martin	16	0
10	Alpine	11	0

Badminton Men's ranking

#	Player	Points	Events
1	Kunlavut Vitidsarn	97,179	18
2	Anders Antonsen	92,253	18
3	Shi Yu Qi	91,517	13
4	Jonatan Christie	80,614	16
5	Li Shi Feng	79,678	18
6	Chou Tien Chen	78,979	23
7	Kodai Naraoka	75,964	21
8	Alex Lanier	72,951	17
9	Viktor Axelsen	69,440	10
10	Loh Kean Yew	66,719	20
11	Lu Guang Zu	61,860	18
12	Kenta Nishimoto	59,762	23
13	Weng Hong Yang	59,570	17
14	Lin Chun-Yi	58,360	18
15	Koki Watanabe	58,264	14

Top Indians ▶

Lakshya Sen
Rank 22

H.S. Prannoy
Rank 33

Badminton Women's ranking

#	Player	Points	Events
1	An Se Young	1,11,120	11
2	Wang Zhi Yi	1,05,312	17
3	Akane Yamaguchi	86,364	14
4	Han Yue	85,550	17
5	Chen Yu Fei	73,885	10
6	Tomoka Miyazaki	71,964	22
7	Pornpawee Chochuwong	71,058	21
8	Gregoria Mariska Tunjung	70,060	13
9	Supanida Katethong	65,107	15
10	Ratchanok Intanon	64,144	19
11	Putri Kusuma Wardani	62,590	18
12	Yeo Jia Min	61,583	17
13	Gao Fang Jie	60,810	12
14	Busanan Ongbamrungphan	60,610	17
15	Sim Yu Jin	56,039	14

Top Indians ▶

P.V. Sindhu
Rank 18

Malvika Bansod
Rank 23

Test Batting

#	Player	Rating	Career best
1	Joe Root	888	932
2	Harry Brook	873	898
3	Kane Williamson	867	919
4	Yashasvi Jaiswal	847	854
5	Steve Smith	823	947
6	Temba Bavuma	769	769
7	Kamindu Mendis	761	779
8	Travis Head	748	884
9	Usman Khawaja	739	847
9	Rishabh Pant	739	801

Test Bowling

#	Player	Rating	Career best
1	Jasprit Bumrah	908	908
2	Kagiso Rabada	837	902
3	Pat Cummins	824	914
4	Josh Hazlewood	818	864
5	Nathan Lyon	812	812
6	Noman Ali	806	806
7	Marco Jansen	785	803
8	Matt Henry	782	782
9	Prabath Jayasuriya	751	801
10	Ravindra Jadeja	745	899

ODI Batting

#	Player	Rating	Career best
1	Shubman Gill	784	847
2	Babar Azam	766	898
3	Rohit Sharma	756	882
4	Virat Kohli	736	909
5	Daryl Mitchell	720	750
6	Harry Tector	708	767
7	Shreyas Iyer	704	710
8	Charith Asalanka	694	694
9	Ibrahim Zadran	676	693
10	Shai Hope	660	802

ODI Bowling

#	Player	Rating	Career best
1	Maheesh Theekshana	680	686
2	Kuldeep Yadav	650	761
3	Keshav Maharaj	648	741
4	Bernard Scholtz	644	648
5	Rashid Khan	640	799
6	Mitchell Santner	637	657
7	Matt Henry	622	691
8	Ravindra Jadeja	616	733
9	Adam Zampa	614	699
10	Josh Hazlewood	603	727

T20I Batting

#	Player	Rating	Career best
1	Travis Head	856	885
2	Abhishek Sharma	829	829
3	Tilak Varma	804	845
4	Philip Salt	791	881
5	Jos Buttler	772	774
6	Suryakumar Yadav	739	912
7	Pathum Nissanka	714	722
8	Tim Seifert	708	708
9	Kusal Perera	676	786
9	Reeza Hendricks	676	717

T20I Bowling

#	Player	Rating	Career best
1	Jacob Duffy	723	723
2	Adil Rashid	710	747
3	Varun Chakravarthy	706	706
4	Wanindu Hasaranga	700	809
5	Akeal Hosein	696	714
6	Adam Zampa	694	746
7	Ravi Bishnoi	674	707
8	Maheesh Theekshana	666	686
9	Rashid Khan	664	828
10	Arshdeep Singh	653	679

GOVERNMENT OF TELANGANA STATE
PUBLIC HEALTH AND MUNICIPAL ENGINEERING DEPARTMENT

NIT No. 05/SE/PH/WGL/RWBP/AMRUT-2.0/Spl. Tranche/Recall/2025-26/223 Dt: 12-06-2025.
Name of the work: MA & UD - PHMED - Rejuvenation of 50 Water Body Projects in 45 ULBs under AMRUT 2.0 (Special Tranche) under the jurisdiction of Adilabad, Karimnagar, Khammam and Warangal PH Divisions in Package-I, **Total Estimated Cost: Rs. 132.45 Crores;** Bid Submission Start Date: 16.06.2025 @ 11.00 AM.; Bid Submission Closing Date: 23.06.2025 @ 04:30 P.M. For details visit **https://tender.telangana.gov.in.** Contact No:- 9704601864, 9392920307.

Sd/- Superintending Engineer
DIPR R.O.No.3526-PP/CL/ADVT/1/2025-26 Dt. 13.06.2025 **P.H. Circle Warangal.**

Government of Karnataka
Office of The Executive Engineer,
Panchayat Raj Engineering Division, Shivamogga
Quotation No.: EE/PRE/DS/JE/2025-26/ Date: 10.06.2025

Quotation Notice

On behalf of the Governor of Karnataka, Quotation is invited for works of total amount Rs. 238.50 lakhs approved under Head of Account: ICDS & Central Sponsored NAREGA Combined Scheme for the year 2024-25 (4235-02-415-04 (386) and State Level Further Viveka School Scheme for the year 2024-25 of Shivamogga, Bhadravathi and Thirthalli Taluks in the limits of Panchayat Raj Engineering Division, Shivamogga. Further information regarding this can be obtained from this office during office hours from 10.06.2025. Last date for submission of filled Quotations has been fixed as 25.06.2025 up to 4.30 PM. Further details can be obtained by contacting the office of the undersigned officer during working hours.

Sd/- Executive Engineer, P.R.E. Division, Shivamogga
DIPR/smg/ksmca/25-26/55/06/422

BRUHAT BENGALURU MAHANAGARA PALIKE
Office of the Executive Engineer, (QA&QC) Division, Yelahanka Zone, Room No-101, Annex-3 Building, BBMP N.R. Square, Bengaluru - 560 002
No: EE(QA&QC)/YNK/TEND/09/2025-26 Date:13.06.2025

SHORT TERM TENDER NOTIFICATION (Two Cover System)
(Through **GOK** KPP Portal **https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in** only)

The Bruhat Bengaluru Mahanagara Palike (BBMP) Quality Assurance/Quality Control division invites Request for Proposal from interested persons/firms those who have done similar type of work for Consultancy Services for Project Management including Supervision, Quality control (PMC) for the below works through KPPportal by the Executive Engineer QA/QC, Yelahanka Zone BBMP.

Sl No.	Name of the work
1.	Providing PMC Services including Supervision, Quality control for "Construction of flood protection structures to SWD including RCC Retaining walls, Water retention structures, Nature based solution structures/Bridges and culverts under Karnataka Water Security and Resilience Programme (KWSRP) with externally funded projects (World Bank) in Yelahanka zone-YNK Package-1 (19 Works)" (Call-2) **Project Cost: ₹.10102.00 Lakhs, EMD Amount: ₹.1,61,190.00**
2.	Providing PMC Services including Supervision, Quality control for "Construction of flood protection structures to SWD including RCC Retaining walls, Water retention structures, Nature based solution structures/Bridges and culverts under Karnataka Water Security and Resilience Programme (KWSRP) with externally funded projects (World Bank) in Yelahanka zone-YNK Package-2 (22 Works)" (Call-2) **Project Cost: ₹.10055.00 Lakhs, EMD Amount: ₹.1,60,430.00**
3.	Providing PMC Services including Supervision, Quality control for "Construction of flood protection structures to SWD including RCC Retaining walls, Water retention structures, Nature based solution structures/Bridges and culverts under Karnataka Water Security and Resilience Programme (KWSRP) with externally funded projects (World Bank) in Yelahanka zone-YNK Package-3 (14 Works)" (Call-2) **Project Cost: ₹.8173.00 Lakhs, EMD Amount: ₹.1,30,420.00**

Calendar of Events : (1) Tender documents may be downloaded from KPP portal GOK from **17.06.2025.** (2) Pre-Bid Meeting on **20.06.2025** at **11:30** am. (3) Last Date and Time for Receipt of Tenders is **30.06.2025** upto **4:00** pm. (4) Opening of Technical Bid is **01.07.2025** at **4:30** pm.

Sd/- Executive Engineer
QA/QC- Yelahanka Zone

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PERSONAL

CHANGE OF NAME

I, S SYED GHOUSE S/O SYED SHAJAHAN R/O White Petals Flat No–302 Balagere Road Varthur Bengaluru Karnataka–560087 changed my name to SYED GHOUSE.

I, ADITYAN alias ADITYAN RAJENDRAN alias ADITYAN R S/O RAJENDRAN R/O Flat No–118 A–Block Mc Fortune Apartments New Temple Road Nallurahalli Whitefield Bengaluru State Karnataka–560066 changed my name to ADITYAN RAJENDRAN.

I, Mridul B Puthezath, S/o Babu, r/at No.12, Sri Balaji Nivas, 8th Cross, Ashok Nagar, Gangamma Layout, BSK 1st Stage, Bangalore 560050 have changed my name to Mridul P B for all future purposes vide affidavit dt. 13.06.2025 sworn before Notary Mamatha N K, Bangalore.

I, ABDUL Taher, S/o Nazeer Ahmed, R/at No. 53, 1st Floor, 4th Cross, Anepalya, Adugodi, Bangalore -560030, have changed my name from Abdul Tahir to Abdul Taher vide affidavit dated 13-06-2025 sworn before Notary K.V. Mani, Bengaluru.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, PAVANI P, W/o Mr. Shiva Kumar S, age 40 years, R/at # 112, T C Palya Main Road, Anandapura, K.R. Puram, Bengaluru-560 036 do hereby declare that I have changed my name from **PAVANI .P** to **DIVYA SREE**, henceforth I shall be known and called as **DIVYA SREE** for all purposes, vide affidavit dated 13th June 2025, sworn before Advocate and Notary **K.B. SADHA SHIVAPPA** at Bangalore.

BUSINESS OFFERS

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SITUATION VACANT

GENERAL

Academy of Prisons and Correctional Administration (APCA)
Vellore - 632 002.
Tamil Nadu, India.
Invites the Applications for the post of Deputy Director

Location: Vellore (TN) Salary: Last Pay drawn minus Pension plus DA of the state which the Candidate belongs to minimum Eligibility: D.I.G of Prisons (Serving and Retired) / Served as Superintendent of Prisons for 5 years.

Interested Persons can go through the full details - eligibility criteria, terms and conditions etc. - available in the APCA website: www.apca.org.in

Last Date: 30.06.2025

PUNJAB STATE POWER CORPORATION LTD.
(Regd. Office:- PSEB Head Office, The Mall, Patiala-147001)
Corporate Identity Number U40109PB2010SGC033813 Website: www.pspcl.in
Mobile No. 96461-10914

E-Tender Enq. No. 628/P-1/EMPW-12877 DATED 12.06.25

Dy. Chief Engineer/Headquarter (Procurement Cell-1) GGSSTP, Roopnagar invites E-Tender ID No. 2025_POWER_142340_1 for To procure two numbers multipurpose fire tenders with TATA Motors Make chassis from fabricator for fire fighting services at GGSSTP, Rupnagar as under - a) Two No. chassis (Model-Ultra T.19 TATA Motors Make) are to be procured by fabricator.
b) Fabrication work on the above two chassis to build two numbers multi-purpose Fire Tenders by the fabricator at their premises. For detailed NIT & tender specification please refer to https://eproc.punjab.gov.in from 12.06.25 from 05.00 PM onwards.
NOTE: Corrigendum and addendum, if any will be published online at https://eproc.punjab.gov.in

RTP 63/25 1079/12/2025-26/174

PUNJAB STATE WAREHOUSING CORPORATION
SCO 74-75, BANK SQUARE, SECTOR-17B CHANDIGARH
PBX: 0172-5197847, 5197846

NOTICE INVITING TENDER

PSWC invites online tenders through GeM Portal for creation of 7.30 LMT godown capacities in the State of Punjab for guaranteed lease of 10 years on Build, Own and Lease basis for storage requirements of FCI under two bid system 'Technical Bid' and 'Financial Bid'.

NIT (alongwith GeM Bid IDs) is available on Department's website i.e. https://pswc.in

Note: Any corrigendum(s)/Notification(s) to this Notice Inviting E-Tender shall be published Department's website & GeM Portal.

1004/12/2025-26/177

GOVERNMENT OF KARNATAKA
OFFICE OF THE EXECUTIVE ENGINEER PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT
MANGALURU DIVISION MANGALURU
Ref :PWD:MD:TND:12E: 2025-26:JE-2: Dated: 13.06.2025

E-TENDER NOTIFICATION
(Karnataka Public E-Procurement Portal)

The Executive Engineer, PWD, Divn. Mangaluru Inviting Tender under K.P.P Portal **www.kppp.karnataka.gov.in** from eligible Tenderers in accordance with KTPP Act Indent No: 22158, 22144 **Under the Head Of Account: 5054-04-337-0-01-154 Major District Road Improvements. The Last date for reciept of tender: 30.06.2025 upto 16.00 Hours.**

The above Work Cost of Estimate is Rs. 150.00 Lakhs. Inviting Tender as per Standard tender document KW-4. Any Change in dates of events and value of work put to tender and EMD amount etc only can been seen from KPP-portal **www.kppp.karnataka.gov.in.**

DIPR/MNG/KSMCA/316/25-26 dt.13.06.2025 **Sd/- Executive Engineer**

Public Works Department,
Chikkamagaluru Division, Chikkamagalur.
Tender Postponement Notice No.: 02/25-26 Date: 13.06.2025

Tender Invitation Notice

Ref: Short-Term Tender Notice No.: 08/25-26 Date:06.06.2025
In the Tender Notice of above Reference seen above Tender was invited from eligible contractors for work through KPP Portal under Head of Account: 3054-04-337-1-10-200 Maintenance of District Main Roads (Heavy Rains) Work Sl. No.: 4 (Reserved for Scheduled Tribes), Approx. Amount Rs. 100 lakhs related to Chikkamagaluru Division and last date for submission was fixed as 18.06.2025. Due to technical reasons the Tender submission date has been postponed and re fixed as 21.06.2025. There are no other changes.

Sd/- Executive Engineer, Public Works Department, Chikkamagaluru Division, Chikkamagalur.
DIPR/smg/ksmca/25-26/44/06/423

KARNATAKA POWER CORPORATION LIMITED
CIN: U85110KA1970SGC001919

TENDER NOTIFICATION (Two Cover System)
(Through KPP Portal only)

Tenders are invited through KPP portal **https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in** for the following works:

BHADRA GENERATING STATION

(1) No.:KPCL/2025-26/PS/WORK_INDENT2828/Call-2. Dated: 06.06.2025 for **"Annual Maintenance Contract of Split Type ACs Installed at BGS and Guest House Located at B.R. Project-577 115".** EMD: **Rs. 3,992/-** Last date & time for online submission of tender: **20.06.2025 up to 16:30 hrs.** Further details can be had from the office of the **Executive Engineer (O&M), Bhadra, Bhadra Generating Station, KPCL, B.R. Project-577 115. Bhadravathi Tq, Shivamogga Dist., Karnataka.**

VARAHI HYDRO ELECTRIC PROJECT

(2) **1)** No.: KPCL/2025-26/DA/WORK_INDENT3008. Dated:09.06.2025 for **"Annual Civil Maintenance of Mani Dam Powerhouse and Varahi Project Dams for, period of One year (July-2025 to June-2026".** Amount put to tender **Rs. 70.49 Lakhs (excluding GST)** EMD: **Rs. 1,41,000/-.** Last date for tender submission: **17.06.2025 up to 4.01 hrs. 2)** No.: KPCL/2025-26/DA/WORK_INDENT3017. Dated:09.06.2025 for **"Annual Civil Maintenance of Chakra, Savehaklu, Khyragunda Dams for period of One year (July-2025 to June-2026".** Amount put to tender **Rs. 68.58 Lakhs (excluding GST)** EMD: **Rs. 1,37,200/-.** Last date for tender submission: **17.06.2025 up to 4.31 hrs.** Further details can be had from the office of the **Executive Engineer (Civil), Masthikatte, Hosanagara, Shivamogga Dist., through Phone No: 9449598842 during office Hours.**

KALINADI HYDRO ELECTRIC PROJECT STAGE- I & II

(3) No. KPCL/2025-26/SE0257 Dated: 05.06.2025 Name of work: **Hiring three numbers of bolero or equivalent 6 Plus 1 seater vehicles for 24 x 7 days x 4 months during flood monitoring at Kadra and Kodsalli dam for 2025 monsoon.** Tender Amount (Excluding GST) **Rs. 11,92,752/-.** EMD: **Rs. 29,900/-** Last date and time for receipt of tenders: **19.06.2025 up to 17.00 Hrs.** Further details can be had from the office of the **Executive Engineer (Gates) Kali, KPCL, Karwar Tq., North Kanara-581 396 Dist., Mob: 9141611350.E-mail:eegateskali@gmail.com website:https://kpcl.karnataka.gov.in**

(4) No.KPCL/2025-26/OW/WORK_INDENT3018 Date:06.06.2025 Name of work: **Comprehensive AMC of 13 Nos High Mast systems installed at Ambikanagar and Dam sites.** EMD: **Rs. 17,625/- Period of Completion: 365 days (1 year AMC).** Last date & time for Online submission of tenders: **21.06.2025, 10.30 Hrs.** Further details can be had from the office of the **Executive Engineer (O, PS&C), Ambikanagar-581363, Uttara Kannada Dist., Karnataka State. Mob:9448230872 website: www.karnatakapower.com**

SHARAVATHY HYDRO-ELECTRIC PROJECT

(5) 1) No. KPCL/2025-26/IND1635/Call-2 Dated:04.06.2025 Name of work: **Supply of 01 No. of 11KV Vacuum Circuit Breaker required for existing system at Gerusoppa Power House.** EMD: **Rs. 11,111/-. 2)** No.KPCL/2025-26/IND1691Dated:04.06.2025Nameofwork:**Supply of Vacuum Cleaner, High Pressure Washer, Hydraulic Pressure Test Kit 4MPA etc., required for SVP, KPCL, Jogfalls-577435** EMD: **Rs. 2,322/-. 3)** No. KPCL/2025-26/IND1692 Dated:04.06.2025 Name of work: **Supply of 250 mtrs. of 4 core 4 Sq.mm Copper FRLS Cable and 10 coil 2.5 sq.mm Copper Cables required for SVP, KPCL, Jogfalls-577 435.** EMD: **Rs.3,210/-. 4)** No. KPCL/2025-26/IND1693 Dated: 06.06.2025 Name of work: **Supply of Demolition Hammer, Impact Wrench, Aluminium Ladder etc., required for SVP, KPCL, Jogfalls-577 435.** EMD: **Rs. 6,097/-. 5)** No. KPCL/2025-26/IND1708 Dated:06.06.2025 Name of work: **Supply of Switches, Fuses, Power Contactors, ELCBs etc., required for SVP, KPCL, Jogfalls-577 435.** EMD: **Rs. 6,532/-. 6)** No. KPCL/2025-26/IND1709 Dated:06.06.2025 Name of work: **Supply of Telescopic Earthing Rod-3 section, Agent Release Panel, Siren etc., required for SVP, KPCL, Jogfalls-577 435.** EMD: **Rs. 2,849/-.** Last date and time for receipt of tenders Sl.No. 1) to 3): **20.06.2025, 16:30 Hrs.** Sl.No. 4) to 6): **23.06.2025, 16:30 Hrs.** Further details can be had from the office of the **Executive Engineer (MSP)J, KPCL, Jogfalls-577435 Shivamogga Dist., Mob:9449598847 e-Mail: eemspj@gmail.com**

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पद का नाम Name of the Post	पदों की संख्या No. of Post	वेतन स्तर Pay Level
कनिष्ठ आशुलिपिक Junior Stenographer	02 [UR-1, OBC-1]	स्तर/Level-4

ऑनलाइन आवेदन प्रारंभ करने की तिथि दि. 14.06.2025 पूर्वाह्न 09.00 बजे से Date of Commencement of online applications is **14.06.2025 from 09.00 AM onwards** आवेदन की अंतिम तिथि दि. 13.07.2025 शाम 11.59 बजे तक Last Date for applying: **13.07.2025 upto 11.59 PM**

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प्रशासनिक अधिकारी/Administrative Officer

PUBLIC NOTICE

The general public is hereby informed that our client intends to purchase the property described in the schedule hereunder from its present owners **SRI. LAKHI UTTAMCHANDANI,** son of late Uttamchandani and **SMT. KAVITA LAKHI UTTAMCHANDANI,** wife of Sri Lakhi Uttamchandani, both residing at 25/39 Oriental Tower, Condominium, Ekamai Soi 12, 20 Floor, Tower C, Bangkok, Thailand 10110.

All persons/ banks/ companies/ firms/ financial institutions having or claiming any right, title, estate or interest by way of inheritance, share, sale, mortgage, transfer, lease, tenancy, lien, charge, trust, maintenance, easement, gift, devise, bequest, exchange, pre-emption, possession or encumbrance or otherwise howsoever into or upon the Schedule Property herein below described, are called upon to intimate the same in writing to the undersigned by registered post at the below given address along with all the documents relating to such claim within **14 days** from the date of publication of this notice, failing which any such claim of any party shall be deemed to have been waived for all legal practical purposes and shall not be entertained hereafter and we shall opine that the Schedule Property is free of any claims and our client will be free to proceed with the proposed purchase of the Schedule Property.

SCHEDULE PROPERTY

All that piece and parcel of the residential Flat No.G-1 bearing BBMP PID No.83-148-11/G1 on the **Second Floor** in the building known as **"SOWBHAGYA ANNEXE"** having a super built up area of 1,540 sq.ft, along with 1/7th or 71.72 sq. mtrs of undivided share in the land situated at Site No.11, HAL III Stage Extension, Bengaluru, measuring East to West: 27.50 mtrs and North to South: 18.20 mtrs, in all measuring 500.50 sq.mtrs (5400 square feet) and bounded on the:
East by : Road
West by : Site No.4
North by : Road
South by : Site No.10/A

Vivek Anand Anthony Britto
Vir Anthony Britto
Advocates
"Daisville", 633, 5th Main, Indiranagar II Stage, Bengaluru-560038
Place: Bengaluru Date: 14.06.2025

Government of Karnataka Zilla Panchayat, Davanagere
Office of The District Health and Family Welfare Officer, Davanagere District,
Near S.S. Hi Tech Hospital, Sri Ramanagar Road, Next to N.C.C. Camp, Davanagere-577005. Phone: 08192 237833
e-mail: dhodavangere@gmail.com
No: DHO/TENDER/BMW/03/2025-26 DATE: 11/06/2025

e-procurement Tender Notification

For the year 2025-26 The Department of District Health and Family Welfare Davangere has invited applications for the management of biomedical waste in health institutions falling under the jurisdiction of Davangere through E-procurement Portal. Tender Ref: no: DHFWS/2025-26/SE1566 Date: 11/06/2025. Tender Value: Rs.61,16,100/-. EMD Rs.1,22,322/-. Application can be obtained from E-Procurement Portal https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in from Date: 11/06/2025. Last Date for Uploading Tender Application in portal is 25/06/2025 at 5:30 PM. For More Information can be obtained in E-Procurement Portal https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in and District Health and Family Welfare Office, Sri ram Nagar, Near NCC Camp, Davangere 577005. Contact number: 9591432216, 9449843467, 9206814271.

ವಾಸಾಇ/ಡಿವಿಜಿ/128/ಕೆಎಸ್ಎಂಸಿಎ/2025–26 Sd/- District Health and F. W. Officer, Davanagere.

PUBLIC NOTICE

The general public is hereby informed that my client is intending to purchase the below mentioned Schedule Property from its respective owners. If anyperson is having any objection, right , title, claim, interest in the said property, by way of Sale, Inheritance, Possession, Succession, Mortgage, Lien, Lease, Gift or otherwise however in respect of the same, shall intimate the objections in writing to the undersigned with supporting document thereof within **14 (fourteen) days** from the date of publication of this notice or else any such claims by anyone shall not be considered and shall be deemed to have been waived and or abandoned and, my client shall proceed to conclude the negotiations and no claims shall be entertained thereafter.

SCHEDULE PROPERTY

All that piece and parcel of the Agricultural Land bearing following Survey Number and Extents, situated at MUTTUGADAHALLI Village, Doddaballapura Taluk, Bangalore Rural District. and bounded on:

Sl.No	Sy.No.	A	G	East By	West By	North By	South By
1.	18/1	0	1.12 Anna	Land bearing sy no 18/3	Land bearing sy no 19	Road and land bearing sy no 13	Land bearing Sy no 18/4
2.	18/2	0	5	Land bearing sy no 18/3	Land bearing sy no19	Land bearing sy no 18/1	Land bearing Sy no __
3.	18/3	0	6.04	Land bearing sy no 18/4	Land bearing sy n0 18/2	Land bearing sy no 18/1	Land bearing Sy no
4.	18/6	1	34	Land bearing sy no 13	Land bearing sy no 19	Land bearing sy no 18/5	Land bearing Sy no 18/7
5.	18/9	0	4	Land bearing sy no 18/5	Land bearing sy n 18/2	Land bearing sy no 18/4	Land bearing Sy no 18/6

SHARATH K .M ADVOCATE Yashas Law Firm,
19/3, Ground floor, Railway Parallel Road, Nehrunagar, Seshadripuram, Bangaluru-560020 Phone.No.9964651824

GOVERNMENT OF KARNATAKA
OFFICE OF THE EXECUTIVE ENGINEER, PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT
DIVISION KOPPAL. Phone No:08539-222318.email:eepwdkpl2@gmail.com
IFT No. PWD:DK:TR:KW- 1&4:2025-26:886 Date: 12-06-2025.

INVITATION FOR SHORT TERM TENDER (IFT)

The Executive Engineer, Public works Department Division Koppal invites tenders from the eligible tenderers as per standard bid documents KW-1&4 on http://kppp.karnataka.gov.in Portal. Head of Account: KKRDB CDQ Infrastructure-TSP, CDQ Infrastructure-SCP, 8443-Deposit Contribution & 2059-80-053-00-200-Non Plan/2024-25. Two cover Tender procedure as per Rule 28 of the KTPP Act shall be followed. For more information the contractor can contact the under signed during office hours on Phone No. 08539 – 222318 and all informations regarding tenders can be had from website http://kppp.karnataka.gov.in. 6 Works (Work Indent No: 21933, 21686, 21474, 21907, 22101 & 0305/Call-2) Last Date & Time for receipt of tenders **26-06-2025** Time 16.00, Date and Time for opening of Technical Bid **27-06-2025** Time 16.30 (Work Indent No: 21933, 21686, 21474, 21907 & 22101). Date and Time for opening of Financial Bid **27-06-2025** Time 16.30 (Work Indent No. 0305/Call-2) Time for opening of Financial Bid **02-07-2025** Time 16.00 (Work Indent No: 21933, 21686, 21474, 21907 & 22101) Minimum & Estimate Maximum Amount Rs. 10.00 Lakhs & Rs. 999.50 Lakhs respectively. The tender documents can be downloaded from the above website address, EMD, Date & Time for Pre-bid meeting, Tender Queries/Clarification & Other information as mentioned in KPPP Portal. Any changes either in tender date or any other condition tenderers can view in KPPP portal.

Sd/- EE, PWD Division, Koppal
DIPR/Koppal/155/KSMCA/2025-26

Government of Karnataka
(PWD Division Raichur)
Executive Engineer
Public works department division Raichur
Telephone No. : 08532-225778
THESE WORKS ARE CATEGORY WISE CONTRACTORS
PWD/RDN/TS-4/TN/2025-26/898 Date: 04-06-2025

Karnataka Public Procurement Portal Short Term Tender Notification -(KW- 2, 3 & 4)

1) Notification No & Date: PWD/RDN/TS-4/TN/2025-26/898 Date: 04-06-2025 **2) Name of work's:** Raichur District Total 14 work's Raichur, Manvi Deodurga, Lingasugur, & Sindhanur taluk Different types of Buildings, Bridges & Road works. **3) Amount of works:** Min Rs. 4148000.00 Max Rs. 83191879.12 **4) EMD Amount:** Min Rs. 41500.00 Max Rs. 1248000.00 **5) Period (including Manson):** Min 3 (Three) Month Max 11 (Eleven) Months **6) Last Date and Time for Receipt of Tender:** 20/06/2025 16:00:00 **7) Date and Time for Opening of Tender:** 21/06/2025 16:30:00 For More details visit this website https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in/

Sd/- EXECUTIVE ENGINEER, PWD Division, RAICHUR.
DIP/RCR/170/KSMCA/170/2025-26

KARNATAKA ROAD DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION LIMITED
(A Government of Karnataka Enterprise)
"Samparka Soudha" Survey No.8, (B.E.P Premises), Dr. Rajkumar Road, Rajajinagar Ist Block, Bengaluru-560010. Tel: 080-22024000 Fax: 080-22024000. Website: www.krdcl.in e-mail: mdkrdcl@gmail.com & cekrdcl@gmail.com
No.KRDCL/IFB/2025-26/05 Date: 11-06-2025

INVITATION FOR SHORT TERM TENDER (Only through KPP portal)

Karnataka Road Development Corporation Limited [KRDCL] invites bid from reputed Consultants for Providing Consulting Services for preparation of Detailed Project Report (DPR) based on Quality and Cost Based Selection (QCBS) detail are as below: **Name of work: Consultancy Services for Preparation of Detailed Project Report (DPR) "Widening and Strengthening of Road from Thippasandra Hand Post (NH-48) to Sugganahalli via Thippasandra-Nerelakere-Halelaya-Hullenahalli" of Magadi Taluk.** Approximate Length: **19.50 Km.** EMD Amount: **Rs.30,000/-.**

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Youth value elders; digital divide, communication gaps persist: HelpAge India report

The report, 'Understanding Intergenerational Dynamics & Perceptions on Ageing', released by HelpAge India, sheds light on how ageing is perceived and experienced in modern India

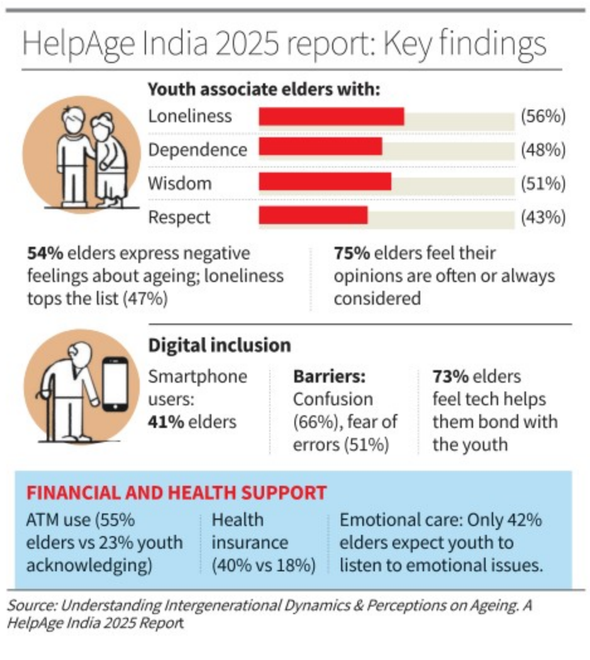
The Hindu Bureau
BENGALURU

While young Indians hold elders in high regard, a new national study by HelpAge India reveals a complex picture of intergenerational relationships, marked by both strong family bonds and widening communication gap.

The report, 'Understanding Intergenerational Dynamics & Perceptions on Ageing,' was released here on Friday by HelpAge India.

As many as 5,798 respondents across 10 Indian cities, comprising 70% youth and 30% elders from urban households were surveyed, and the report sheds light on how ageing is perceived and experienced in modern India.

The findings reveal that although youth describe elders as 'wise' (51%) and 'respected' (43%), a majority also associate them with 'loneliness' (56%) and 'dependence' (48%). In turn, over half of elders (54%) admit to negative feelings about ageing, often due to emotional neglect or a perceived loss of independence.



Source: Understanding Intergenerational Dynamics & Perceptions on Ageing. A HelpAge India 2025 Report

Influence of media

The report stated that the youth also acknowledged the influence of media in shaping their perceptions, with 80% stating that portrayals of the elderly as wise, dependent, or even comical play a major role. Interestingly, young people living in close proximity to elders displayed higher levels of stereotype bias.

Digital use low

According to the report, 66% of elders and 61% of youth interact daily primarily at home, emphasising the continuing strength of traditional family structures.

However, digital engagement remains limited: only 41% of elders own smartphones, and just 13% use computers or the internet. The youth often view elders as "disinterested" in learning technology, while elders blame the lack of patient instruction and rapid explanations, the report stated.

The report found that 86% of elders rely primarily on family for support, and encouragingly, 75% of youth are willing to volunteer for elder care services like companionship or tech help.

Loneliness, poor health, and financial insecurity emerged as top fears about ageing for both youth and elders.

Despite changing social dynamics, 88% of youth still wish to live with family in old age, reflecting continued faith in multi-generational living.

'Don't transfer assets early, stay alert online'

The Hindu Bureau
BENGALURU

At the launch of the report, C. Balaram, Deputy Secretary to the government, Department of Women and Child Development and Empowerment of Differently Abled and Senior Citizens, said, "Spending time with parents and grandparents is not just a responsibility but an opportunity to build deeper relationships. Intergenerational bonding can help bridge the emotional divide that many elders experience."

He also offered a word of caution to senior citizens to saying that do not transfer assets to your children prematurely. "Asset management is critical for financial independence. And in today's digital age, seniors must also be alert to the growing threat of cybercrime targeting them," he added.

Study on online sexual abuse of children favours digital literacy in school curriculum

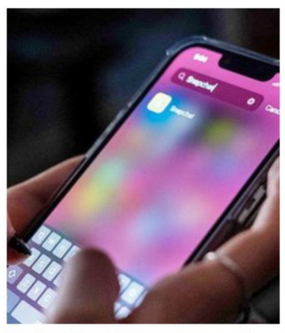
The Hindu Bureau
BENGALURU

A pilot study on online sexual exploitation and abuse of children in Karnataka has recommended that digital literacy and online safety should be a compulsory part of the school curriculum, starting from the primary level.

Protecting children from online risks requires the concerted efforts of parents, educators, policymakers, and communities, said the study jointly conducted by ChildFund India and Karnataka State Commission for Protection of Child Rights (KSCPCR).

A report on the study titled "Online Risks of Children: Focus on Online Sexual Exploitation and Abuse of Children" was released by Legislative Council Chairman Basavaraj Horatti here on Friday.

"This report is a comprehensive effort to understand the digital experiences of children in the State, capturing insights from children themselves, as well as from parents, teachers, and child protection stakeholders. It provides a holistic view of children's vulnerabilities in the digital realm," said KSCPCR chairperson K. Naganna Gowda.


Protecting children from online risks requires concerted efforts of parents, educators, and communities, says the study. GETTY IMAGES

The major objectives of this study were to investigate the nature and prevalence of 'Online Sexual Exploitation and Abuse of Children' (OSEAC) in Karnataka by estimating the prevalence of OSEAC among children aged 8 to 18 years.

In the first stage, five districts of Chamarajanagar, Raichur, Chikkamagaluru, Belagavi and Bengaluru were selected. In the next stage, schools of various types were sampled from the rural and urban areas, which constituted the Second-stage Sampling Units (SSUs). Subsequently, individual respondents were sampled, who constituted the Ultimate Sampling Units (USUs) in the study. Six schools were selected from each of the five districts and 30 students (10 each from 8-11 years, 12-14 years and 15-18 years categories) were covered from each of these schools. Two out of school children from the vicinity of the sampled schools were also included for interviews. Overall, the study covered 903 school-going children.

Key recommendations

The study noted that the COVID-19 pandemic significantly increased children's exposure to online risks, underscoring the urgent need for corrective measures. Parental supervision, teacher training, and digital literacy emerged as critical areas for prevention and mitigating risks. However, underreporting and societal stigma continue to pose significant challenges, discouraging victims and families from seeking help.

Addressing OSEAC comprehensively requires a collaborative effort involving schools, parents, NGOs, and law enforcement, with a focus on awareness, support services, and stricter enforcement of child protection measures, the study recommended.

Digital literacy and online safety should be included in school curriculum, and age-appropriate toolkits should be developed. Peer-led education and workshops should be used to teach parents, especially in rural areas, about monitoring children's internet use. Children should be involved in designing safer online spaces and creating community and "Digital Safety Champions" for first-response support.

The other recommendations included setting up a Karnataka OSEAC Task Force to oversee prevention and rehabilitation.

Extend deadline for bike taxi services: Nasscom

The Hindu Bureau
BENGALURU

National Association of Software and Service Companies (Nasscom) has urged the Karnataka government to provide interim relief and develop a regulatory framework for bike taxi services in the State.

In a formal representation to Transport Minister Ramalinga Reddy, the industry body called for an extension of the June 15 deadline imposed by the Karnataka High Court, which currently prohibits aggregator-based bike taxi operations in the absence of proper regulations.

The organisation warned of large-scale livelihood disruptions if services are abruptly halted and urged the state to begin a consultative process to formulate a balanced and inclusive regulatory policy.

Nasscom also cited successful models in states like Delhi, Telangana, and Rajasthan, offering to work with the Karnataka government to draft a future-ready policy that fosters innovation while ensuring safety and commuter convenience.

In the representation, it has appealed for immediate intervention to safeguard the gig economy while ensuring long-term stability for tech-enabled mobility solutions.

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Piqued over being left out, over 200 artists hold 'Gallery Pravesha'

Shilpa Elizabeth
BENGALURU

A day after the formal inauguration of the renovated Venkatappa Art Gallery, about 200 artists, including ones from the Venkatappa Art Gallery forum, gathered at the venue and held a "Gallery Pravesha."

The artists who congregated at the renovated gallery marked the event by cutting ribbons and exploring the new additions there. "After a struggle of 10 years, we can now proudly say Bengaluru has a superb art gallery," said Pa.Sa. Kumar, Karnataka Lalithakala Academy president.

The artists at the renovated Venkatappa Art Gallery in Bengaluru on Friday. SPECIAL ARRANGEMENT

Left out from the list

The artists had boycotted the formal inauguration by Deputy Chief Minister D.K. Shivakumar and Tourism Minister H.K. Patil, after the invitation from the gallery and the government failed to mention artists from the State. Those who stayed away from the formal event included senior artists like S.G. Vasudev.

"We have been raising voices for the renovation of the gallery for the last 10 years. Core committee members were consulted at every stage of the work, but for the inauguration, we were left out. Not even senior artists or Academy heads were invited," said Sheela Gowda, core committee member of the Venkatappa Art Gallery forum.

Senior artist Krishna Setty remarked that the 'gallery pravesha' was a symbol of solidarity amongst the artist community. "As per protocol, 55 names were there in the initial invitation. Not a single artist was mentioned in that list. Only when we made a hue and cry did they add the names of a few artists. But we had already made a decision. Only very few artists took part in the formal inauguration, whereas more than 200 artists are here today."

Several artists expressed happiness that the original building and the character of the place were retained during the restoration work. Sandeep J., principal architect at Architecture Paradigm, which worked on the restoration, was felicitated during the event.

He noted that restoring the gallery was a challenge given its legacy and the number of stakeholders involved.

State govt. has taken policy decision not to frame rules to allow bike taxis, HC told

The Hindu Bureau
BENGALURU

The State government on Friday told the High Court of Karnataka that it has taken a policy decision not to frame rules and guidelines to allow bike taxi services through the platforms of transport technology aggregators like Ola, Uber and Rapido.

This submission was made by the State Advocate General before a division bench comprising acting Chief Justice V. Kameswar Rao and Justice Sreenivas Harish Kumar during a hearing on the appeals filed by Uber India Systems Pvt. Ltd., ANI Technology Pvt. Ltd, which operates Ola services, and Varikruti Mahendra Reddy and others, who are offering two-wheelers for bike taxi services through Ola, Uber and Rapido.

Only eight States

"As a policy, we do not want to frame rules for the operation of bike taxis," A-G Shashi Kiran Shetty told the bench while pointing out that only eight States have so far permitted bike taxis across the country. The appellants have challenged April 2 judgement of a single judge, which had declared that "unless the State government notifies relevant guidelines under Section 93 of the Motor Vehicles Act, 1988, and Rules thereunder, the petitioners cannot operate as aggregators offering bike-taxi services and the Transport Department cannot be issued with directions to register motorcycles as transport vehicles or issue contract carriage permits."

The single judge had given time till June 15 for Ola, Uber, and Rapido to cease all their operations as aggregators of bike-taxis while asking the State government to ensure that all bike-taxi operations are stopped after this deadline.

The bench declined to pass any interim order at this stage on the pleas of the appellants to either extend the deadline for the existing operation of bike-taxis on their platform for a short period or to direct the authorities not to take coercive steps till next of hearing. However, the bench said that it would hear the appeals on June 24 while pointing out that it would have considered passing an interim order if the government was delaying framing guidelines/rules, but in the present scenario the government was categorically stating that it has taken a policy decision not to frame guidelines/rules.

The appellants' advocates contended that the existing rules allow registration of two-wheelers as taxis with yellow board and secure stage carriage permits to be used as passenger transport vehicles under the MV Act and the Rules, while pointing out that several persons are depending on bike taxis for their livelihood. Licences provided to operate taxi services under the Karnataka On Demand Transport Technology Aggregators Rules, 2016, is sufficient to operate bike taxis, it was argued on behalf of owner of motorcycles.

The bench said that it would consider all the issues and adjourned further hearing till June 24 while insisting that the appellants and the government should not take adjournment on that day.

Contemporary art exhibition

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The third edition of Visual Confluence was inaugurated on June 9 at Karnataka Chitrakala Parishath. The exhibition features the works of 20 artists from across India. The exhibition is open from 10.30 a.m. to 7 p.m till June 15.

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Vamsi Krishna appointed Joint Commissioner (West)

The Hindu Bureau
BENGALURU

Deputy Inspector-General of Police (DIG) C. Vamsi Krishna, a 2009-batch Indian Police Service (IPS) officer, has been appointed as Joint Commissioner (West), Bengaluru, to replace Vikash Kumar Vikash, who was suspended on June 6 over the stampede at M. Chinnaswamy stadium that killed 11.

The post was earlier held by an Inspector General of Police (IGP) rank officer – which is still the case in the East division. However, with the appointment of a DIG rank officer in Mr. Krishna, the post has now been downgraded. This has created a situation where the East division has an Additional Commissioner of Police, while the West division has a Joint Commissioner of Police.

The posts of Deputy Commissioner of Police (DCP), Central Division, Assistant Commissioner of Police (ACP) and Police Inspector, Cubbon Park – also suspended, are yet to be filled.

Meanwhile, after a long break, the city police held a rowdy parade in all divisions of the city on Friday. This comes days after there has been a change of leadership in the city police. City Police Commissioner Seemanth Kumar Singh told media persons that after taking charge, he had instructed the department to ensure the rowdy sheeter lists and their activities are updated.

The new police chief on Friday held a meeting with all women police personnel in the city above the rank of a sub-inspector, to draw up strategies for women and child safety, which the commissioner said would be a top priority.

Accident: BWSSB denies charges

The Hindu Bureau
BENGALURU

After the Rajajinagar traffic police served notices to jurisdictional Bruhat Bengaluru Mahanagara Palike and Bangalore Water Supply and Sewerage Board (BWSSB) officials, over an accident where a biker reportedly fell and sustained severe injuries due to ongoing roadworks on Dr. Rajkumar Road on June 4, the board has denied the charges.

BWSSB, in a statement on Friday, said contractors, site engineers and others who were working on the road were present at the spot and reported that there was no such accident on the said date and the board got to know of it only after the police registered the FIR. It said that on June 4, no work was being carried out.

GETTY IMAGES

How Vani Kapoor rediscovered her authentic golf self and reclaimed the joy of playing

A dominant domestic force and a trailblazer overseas, the 31-year-old had an average 2024. She realised something had to change. Playing for herself — 'without any expectations internally or from other people' — she is relishing 'probably the best start' to a season in her career

Maya Sarkar

Vani Kapoor's golf career started in Delhi with something as simple as wanting to spend more time with her father on Sunday afternoons. "We didn't think it would become a profession or anything," she said.

What began as a fun activity has now led to her becoming the most successful player in Hero Women's Pro Golf Tour (HWPGT) history, with a record 35 titles.

Runaway leader

Vani is on a high, having won the eighth leg of the HWPGT at the Bengaluru Golf Club (BGC) last week. "This is probably the best start I have had to the year in my entire career," she said, in reference to claiming four of the eight legs. The 31-year-old is the runaway leader on the HWPGT Order of Merit, with total winnings of ₹11,88,000.

The path to this latest title was not easy. She was trailing early in the third round, but key moments – a birdie on the ninth and a hot streak of birdies on holes 12 through 15 – put her back in the lead. "I just kept rolling, and by the time I reached the final two holes, I knew I had a cushion. I just needed to finish the job."

Vani turned professional in 2012 at just 18 years old and quickly became a dominant force on the Indian domestic circuit. Her debut season brought three victories, a sign of things to come. Since then, she's steadily built a stellar record.

In 2019, she became the first Indian woman to earn a card on the Australian Ladies PGA Tour. That milestone opened doors to the Ladies European Tour (LET) and the prestigious Vic Open. She continued to rise and, in 2022, posted a career-best tied-third finish at the Big Green Egg Open in the Netherlands, ending five under par overall.

> I took some time off and worked on myself from all angles ... You have to love the way you practise. It has to be your way – not someone else's version of what's right

In the 2025 season of the HWPGT, Vani opened with runner-up finishes in the second and third legs, followed by a dominant three-win streak in the fourth, fifth, and sixth legs. Ahead of her latest win, there was pressure, no doubt. But Vani remained unfazed.

"Everyone here is a good golfer, and anyone can have a great day. Whatever my result, it's a by-product of my own effort, and that's the only thing I can possibly control," said Vani.

That kind of composure doesn't come out of nowhere. Vani identifies working with a sports psychologist, which she began doing seven years ago, as a turning point. "A few things were bothering me, so I got that out of the way and got more clarity," she said.

Taking stock

Vani called her performance in 2024 average – an honest self-assessment for someone used to being at the top. She plied her trade primarily on the LET, where she managed only one top-10 finish. Vani competed in three HWPGT events and won once.

"Something had to change. I took some time off and worked on myself from all angles," she said.

Vani attributes her 2024 season to internal pressure and expectations. "I tried very hard to do things the right way while keeping certain people in mind. What really changed was that I gave myself an opportunity to just play for myself, without any expectations internally or from other people, and just go back to basics. It's nice that everything is coming together now. I have started enjoying the game so much more, which I feel is the most important thing," she said.

Vani sees her long and short games as strengths, but her putting is her biggest asset. While she might not be the longest driver on the tour, her consistency off the tee and sharp play inside 100 yards makes her a regular on the leaderboard. "I'm not one of the longest hitters, but I'm very accurate. So, I don't really have to worry that much off the tee. I've worked more on my short game, 100 yards in, to compensate. Putting has always been a strong point that I've had," she said.

Off the course, Vani focuses equally on training both body and mind. Her approach blends mental clarity with a practice routine that's tailored to her needs. "You have to love the way you practise. It has to be your way – not someone else's version of what's right," she said.

Her fitness regimen includes strength training to prevent injury and maintain swing-speed. This isn't just about being physically strong; it's about endurance.

"And then there's the gym, of course. You must work on strength. We swing at such fast speeds – you have to always be consistent and injury-free. We also need stability," Vani said.

Tournament days can stretch long, and one loose shot late in the round can cost a title. Vani explained that staying in good physical shape helps train her mind to stay focused on the course.

Vani's mindset was tested when she returned to the BGC, a course that she hadn't played in for six or seven years. "I didn't remember anything," she said with a laugh. "I was going on the wrong tee boxes and wrong greens during the practice round. I told my caddy, 'Just get me to the right tee and the right green – I'll handle the rest'."

Olympic ambition

Now over a decade into her professional career, Vani is still charting new territory. Vani has her sights set on a good show at the Hero Women's Indian Open, which will be held at her home course of DLF Golf and Country Club later this year.

Asked about her long-term goals, Vani stated that she would like to win a medal at the 2028 Olympics.

She sees the sport's future in India with cautious optimism. "Coaching has changed so much from when I started. The new lot – these teenagers – have so much more access to information and technology. I did not have this when I was young. So there's definitely going to be so many girls who are going to not just play, but do well abroad."

Despite everything the tour demands – travel, training, and competition – education was always non-negotiable in her family.

"My parents made it very clear – education came first. So I did my college, and after that I decided that I didn't want to study. But I did the basic minimum, which is very important. I didn't want to believe my parents at the time, but now I see how important it was. There's so much more to life besides what you do. How you develop as an individual is so much more important – friends, a social life, confidence. When golf isn't going well, you need people to lift you up and you need that circle."

She has also become more vocal about the need for structural support. "The sport needs more visibility – especially women's golf. It's not just about us players. Our sponsors need visibility too."

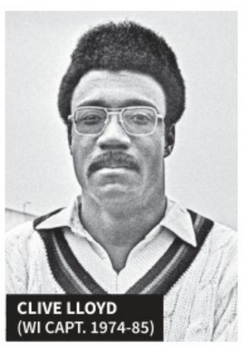
As the season progresses, she continues to move with quiet confidence. Not one to be rushed, Vani believes the best way forward is one shot at a time.

GAME THEORY

Best in white: most successful Test teams by decade

With the third edition of the World Test Championship final being contested this week, it's a good time to look at the top three Test teams (by wins and win%) in each of the ten decades that preceded the first final in 2021

DON BRADMAN (AUS. CAPT. 1936-48)



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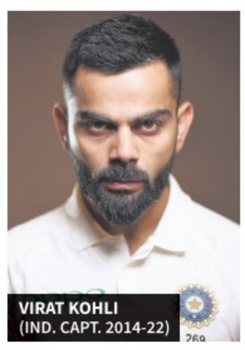
STEVE WAUGH (AUS. CAPT. 1999-2004)



VIRAT KOHLI (IND. CAPT. 2014-22)

Team	Tests	Won	Lost	Tied	Draws	Win%
1920s						
England	48	**18**	16	0	14	**37.5**
Australia	28	**14**	6	0	8	**50.0**
South Africa	23	**3**	10	0	10	**13.0**
1930s						
England	72	**23**	14	0	35	**31.9**
Australia	39	**22**	10	0	7	**56.4**
West Indies	19	**4**	9	0	6	**21.1**
1940s						
Australia	18	**14**	0	0	4	**77.8**
England	32	**6**	9	0	17	**18.8**
West Indies	9	**3**	0	0	6	**33.3**
1950s						
England	83	**39**	22	0	22	**47.0**
Australia	57	**29**	12	0	16	**50.9**
West Indies	48	**18**	17	0	13	**37.5**
1960s						
England	100	**32**	15	0	53	**32.0**
Australia	67	**23**	14	1	29	**34.3**
West Indies	49	**18**	13	1	17	**36.7**

Team	Tests	Won	Lost	Tied	Draws	Win%
1970s						
England	95	**33**	21	0	41	**34.7**
Australia	83	**30**	29	0	24	**36.1**
West Indies	63	**18**	15	0	30	**28.6**
1980s						
West Indies	82	**43**	8	0	31	**52.4**
Australia	97	**27**	31	1	38	**27.8**
Pakistan	80	**23**	13	0	44	**28.8**
1990s						
Australia	108	**54**	25	0	29	**50.0**
Pakistan	76	**32**	21	0	23	**42.1**
West Indies	81	**30**	28	0	23	**37.0**
2000s						
Australia	115	**79**	18	0	18	**68.7**
England	129	**55**	37	0	37	**42.6**
South Africa	108	**53**	32	0	23	**49.1**
2010s						
Australia	112	**57**	38	0	17	**50.9**
England	126	**57**	46	0	23	**45.2**
India	107	**56**	29	0	22	**52.3**

SOURCE: ESPNCRICINFO.COM

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Running wild

Tony McCall navigates a hairy moment during the recent Woodhill 100 Off-Road Race in this photograph, captured in Woodhill Forest, northwest of Auckland.

First held in 1981, the Woodhill 100 is New Zealand's longest-running one-day off-road endurance race. Given the event's history and the dense, unpredictable terrain it's run on, it's considered the cornerstone event of the New Zealand Offroad Racing Championship.

"It's not just another race," says race organiser Donn Attwood. "For racers like Tony, it's an obsession. Winning the Woodhill defines their careers."

Indeed, the race's official website claims it's "a proving ground, a tradition, and a rite of passage for those who dare to conquer it".

Competitors battle 160 km of shifting sand and hard-packed gravel in a brutal test of mechanical durability, physical hardiness, and straight-out speed.

The challenge is to find a set-up that handles both sand and gravel, which have contrasting demands and wreck machinery. Mechanical attrition is a limiting factor — typically only about half the starters finish.

Nigerian woman arrested; MDMA worth ₹10 crore seized

The Hindu Bureau
BENGALURU

In a major drug haul, the Chikkajala police and sleuths from the Central Crime Branch (CCB) arrested a Nigerian woman, Princess, 25, and recovered 5.325 kg of MDMA crystals worth ₹10 crore from her.

Acting on a tip-off , the police raided and detained Princess on Tuesday.

She had reached Bengaluru by bus from Delhi the same day, the police said. Apart from the MDMA crystals, an iPhone and a bag full of new clothes were also recovered.

Officials said that Princess, the daughter of a civil servant in Nigeria, came to Delhi on a business visa on October 4, 2021, and later availed herself of a student visa claiming to study in Hyderabad.

Visa expired

However, it has now emerged that she did not join any college, and instead allegedly got involved in drug peddling. Her visa had expired, the police said.

Princess reportedly claimed that she was only a mule, carrying a bag from Delhi and delivering it to Bengaluru on the instructions of her friend based in Nigeria. The police are trying to identify her associate.

The case comes months after the Mangaluru police seized 37.878 kg of MDMA crystals worth ₹75 crore in Electronics City and arrested two South African nationals in March this year.

Awareness campaign today

The Hindu Bureau
BENGALURU

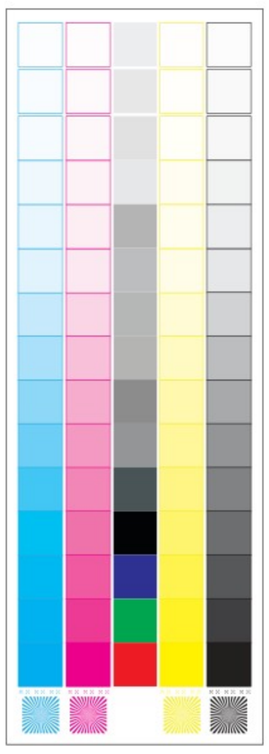
To observe World Elder Abuse Awareness Day, the Elders Helpline – run by Bengaluru City Police and Nightingales Medical Trust – will host a public awareness campaign on Saturday at 10.30 a.m. at Shivajinagar bus stand.

The event aims at raising awareness about elder abuse, featuring street plays and a road show from Shivajinagar to K.R. Market bus stand.

Academy invites entries for its Book Award 2024

The Hindu Bureau
BENGALURU

The Karnataka Janapada Academy has invited entries for its Book Award 2024. Eligible entries should be first editions published between January 1 and December 31, 2024, with a minimum length of 150 pages. The works should fall under one of the categories: folk prose, poetry, critical essays, research, or mixed genres.



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दूरभाष / Phone: 0471-2568603, ई – मेल E-mail: recruitment@iist.ac.in

विज्ञान संचार एवं बाह्य संपर्क में संविदा के आधार पर
परियोजना सहयोगी पद के लिए ऑनलाइन आवेदन आमंत्रित

ONLINE APPLICATIONS FOR PROJECT ASSOCIATE IN SCIENCE COMMUNICATION AND OUTREACH (ON CONTRACT)

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ऑनलाइन रुप से आवेदन पत्र प्रस्तुत करने की सुविधा 14.06.2025 से 30.06.2025 तक उपलब्ध होगी। Facility for online submission of application will be available from 14.06.2025 to 30.06.2025.

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ALL INDIA INSTITUTE OF MEDICAL SCIENCES, GUWAHATI

(A statutory body under the aegis of Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, GoI)
Changsari, Kamrup, Assam-781101, Website: www.aiimsguwahati.ac.in

Ref No- 2-378/2023-24/AIIMS/GHY/ESTT. /DEPUTATION / Pt-1/539 Date: 30.05.2025

VACANCY NOTICE FOR EXECUTIVE ENGINEER (CIVIL) ON DEPUTATION BASIS

AIIMS Guwahati invites applications in the pre-scribed proforma for the following posts on deputation/basis.

Sl. No.	Name of the post	Group	Pay Scale	No. of Posts
1	Executive Engineer (Civil)	A	Level-11 as per 7th CPC (RS. 67700 - 208700)	01

For details of recruitment i.e. application form, eligibility criteria, desirable qualifications/ experience, corrigendum/addendum and etc., will be uploaded only on the official website **www.aiimsguwahati.ac.in** . Candidates are advised to check website regularly for updates. Applications completed in all respect along with CRs, Vigilance clearance, Integrity Certificate etc. should be sent through proper channel to **Asst. Administrative Officer (I/C), All India Institute of Medical Sciences, Guwahati, Changsari, Kamrup, Assam – 781101**. The last date for submission of application through proper channel for posts on deputation basis will be 30 days from the date of publication of advertisement in Employment News.

Sd/-
Asst. Administrative Officer(i/c), AIIMS, Guwahati

SOUTH WESTERN RAILWAY

E-Tender Notice No. 12 UBL 2025-26
Dated : 10-06-2025

The undersigned, on behalf of the President of India, invites E-Tenders for the following works.

Name of the Work	Approx. Value
Hubballi Division :	Rs. 1,36,77,299/-

Sub work-I : Improvements to existing officers Rest House at Hubballi. **Sub Work-II :** Improvements to VVIP Rest house in golf link colony Hubballi.

Last date for submission of bids: **Upto 11:00 Hrs on 01-07-2025**

For details log on: www.ireps.gov.in

Senior Divisional Engineer/Co-ordination
PUB/188/AAS/PRB/SWR/2025-26 **Hubballi**

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Uttar Pradesh Medical Supplies Corporation Limited

(A Govt. of Uttar Pradesh Undertaking)
GSTIN: 09AACCU2250P1ZZ CIN: U85310UP2018SGC102425

Date: 12-06-2025

e-Tender Notice Invitation

Uttar Pradesh Medical Supplies Corporation Limited, Lucknow invites tenders on e-tender Portal from eligible and qualified Manufacturer/Importer/Authorized Agent for supply of **following items**. The schedules of Tendering activities are as here under:

Sr. No.	Tender Ref. No. & Date	Items Name	Date & Time of Pre-Bid Meeting	Last Date & Submission of Online Bids	Date & Time of Opening of Technical Bids
1	UPMSCL/EQ/RC/ 2025/04 Dated: 11-06-2025	Rapid Antigen Test Kit	19/06/2025 at 1:00 PM in Conference Hall of UPMSCL, Lucknow.	03/07/2025 up to 3:00 PM	03/07/2025 at 4:00 PM
2	UPMSCL/EQ/RC/ 2025/05 Dated: 11-06-2025	Viral RNA Extraction Kit	19/06/2025 at 3:00 PM in Conference Hall of UPMSCL, Lucknow.	03/07/2025 up to 3:00 PM	03/07/2025 at 4:00 PM
3	UPMSCL/EQ/RC/ 2025/06 Dated: 11-06-2025	Real Time PCR Kit	19/06/2025 at 4:00 PM in Conference Hall of UPMSCL, Lucknow.	03/07/2025 up to 3:00 PM	03/07/2025 at 4:00 PM
4	UPMSCL/EQ/RC/ 2025/07 Dated: 11-06-2025	VTM Kit	19/06/2025 at 2:00 PM in Conference Hall of UPMSCL, Lucknow.	03/07/2025 up to 3:00 PM	03/07/2025 at 4:00 PM

The details of tender notice are given on e-tender Portal & UPMSCL website www.upmsc.in. Kindly check e-tender Portal & UPMSCL website for any detail & updates.

Managing Director, UPMSCL

Department of Medical Health & Family Welfare, Uttar Pradesh

BANARAS LOCOMOTIVE WORKS, VARANASI-221004

Bid No.: E-12/2025-26 Date: 10.06.2025

E-TENDERS

E-Developmental Tenders are invited for & on behalf of the President of India for the supply of following items. Only e-offer will be accepted for which vendors must have Class III Digital Signature and registration on IREPS. The details of tenders are in the following sequence S.No. - Tender No. (Due Date), Description and Quantity. **S.No.: 1.** 03251012A (23.07.2025), Draft Gear with Elastomer to PL No. 29130086, 489 No. **2.** 03251046A (21.07.2025), E-Type High Tensile to PL No. 29130037, 859 Nos. **3.** 03251069 (26.06.2025), Al. Pressed Kit to PL No. 29170783, 835 set, **4.** 08251004A Open Tender (09.07.2025), SPHERIBLOC, PL No. 29100203, 13388 Nos. **5.** 09251211 Open Tender (18.07.2025), Single Core Cable, PL No. 29600157, 5587 Meter, **6.** 09251296 Open Tender (13.08.2025), Cable TIE, PL No. 29618721, 1422587 Nos. **7.** 09251028 Open Tender (20.08.2025), Pressure Sensor Oil Circuit Transformer, PL No. 29500047, 2833 Nos. **8.** 10251106 (14.07.2025), Jumper Assembly, PL No. 16060568, 720 Nos. **9.** 10251093 (19.06.2025), Exhaust Chamber Assembly Front, PL No. 16360163, 67 Nos. **10.** 10251076 (10.07.2025), Kit Gasket (Turbo Charger), PL No. 16171615, 700 Nos. **11.** 10241375 (30.06.2025), Idler-Stubshaft Asm, PL No. 16030473, 208 Nos. The complete details of above tenders are available on **www.blw.indianrailways.gov.in** and **www.ireps.gov.in**. **CORRIGENDUM : 12. Bid No.:** E-05, **Tender No.:** 10241765 Retainer Bearing, Revision-01, **Existing Due Date** : 10.06.2025, **Revised Due Date :** 17.06.2025, **13. Bid No.:** E-05, **Tender No.:** 10241774 Piston Ring Set, Revision-01, **Existing Due Date** : 03.06.2025, **Revised Due Date :** 17.06.2025. **NOTE:** All other terms and conditions will remain unchanged for above tenders.

PRO/BLW/S-12 PRINCIPAL CHIEF MATERIAL MANAGER

/blwvaranasi "Website : http://blw.indianrailways.gov.in"

केनरा बैंक Canara Bank

(A Government Of India Undertaking)
Head Office: Bangalore

ARM-1 Branch,
2nd Floor, No.86, Spencer Tower, M.G. Road, Bangalore-560001. Ph: 080-25310066
E-mail: cb2366@canarabank.com

SALE NOTICE

E-AUCTION SALE NOTICE FOR SALE OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTIES UNDER THE SECURITISATION AND RECONSTRUCTION OF FINANCIAL ASSETS AND ENFORCEMENT OF SECURITY INTEREST ACT, 2002 READ WITH PROVISO TO RULE 8 (6) OF THE SECURITY INTEREST (ENFORCEMENT) RULES, 2002

Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower (s) and Guarantor (s) that the below described immovable property mortgaged to the Secured Creditor, the Symbolic Possession of which has been taken by the Authorised Officer of **ARM-1 Branch, Bengaluru of the Canara Bank, will be sold on "As is where is", "As is what is", and "Whatever there is"** on **30.06.2025 (11.30 AM TO 12.00 AM),** for recovery of **Rs.448796336.83 as on 12.06.2025** with further interest and cost thereon due to the ARM-1 Branch, Bengaluru of Canara Bank from **(1) Savithri Jewellers Pvt. Ltd., (2) Mrs. Deepa Vernekar** W/o Mr. Prashant Wandkar, Director Savithri Jewellers Pvt.Ltd, **(3) Ms. Shilpa Vernaker** D/o Mr. Suresh Vernekar, Director Savithri Jewellers Pvt.Ltd, **(4) Mr. Kishore Vernekar** S/o Mr. Suresh Vernekar **(5) Sri Suresh Vernekar** S/o Mr. Dattatray Vernekar, **All are residing at:** No.165, Maauli Mantralaya, Lakshmi Teimple Road, Hindwadi, Belgaum, Karnataka-590011.

The Earnest Money shall be Deposited by way of **E-Wallet of M/s PSB Alliance Private Limited (https://baanknet.com/)** portal directly or by generating the Challan therein to deposit the EMD through **RTGS/NEFT** in the account details as mentioned in the said challan on or before **27.06.2025 - 5.00pm** **(Rs. in lakhs)**

Lot No	Description of the immovable/movable assets:	Reserve Price	EMD Amount	Incremental value at Bid
1	Property bearing R S No. 59/1 measuring 1 acres situated at Madhavapura, Belguam and bounded on the East by R S No. 58, West by R S No.76, North by: R S No. 57 and South by : R S No.77. **Coordinates of the property, Latitude- 15.8355970 Longitude- 74.5308150.**	₹. 187.00	₹.18.70	1.00

Known encumbrances, if any: Not to the knowledge of the Bank.
For detailed terms and conditions of the sale please refer the link "E-Auction" provided in Canara Bank's website (www.canarabank.com) or E-Wallet of M/s PSB Alliance Private Limited (https://baanknet.com/) portal and may contact ARM-1 Branch, Bengaluru, Canara Bank, Ph. No.080-25310066, 63819525019, 9483743156, 9414400177, 9039609346 during office hours on any working day.

Date : 13.06.2025
Place: Bangalore
Sd/- Authorised Officer, Canara Bank

SOUTH WESTERN RAILWAY

E-Tender Notice No. 11 UBL 2025-26
Dated : 10-06-2025

The undersigned, on behalf of the President of India, invites E-Tenders for the following works.

Name of the Work	Approx. Value
Hubballi Division :	**Rs. 34,47,502/-**

Supply of welding Portions for AT Welding in Sr.DEN/East/Hubballi Jurisdiction.

Last date for submission of bids: **Upto 11:00 Hrs on 26-06-2025**

For details log on: www.ireps.gov.in

Senior Divisional Engineer / Co-ordination
PUB/190/AAS/PRB/SWR/2025-26 **Hubballi**

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The Earnest Money shall be Deposited by way of **E-Wallet of M/s PSB Alliance Private Limited (https://baanknet.com/)** portal directly or by generating the Challan therein to deposit the EMD through **RTGS/NEFT** in the account details as mentioned in the said challan on or before **26.06.2025 - 5.00pm** **(Rs. in lakhs)**

Lot No	Description of the immovable/movable assets:	Reserve Price	EMD Amount	Incremental value at Bid
1	All that piece of residential plot situated at No.95, PID no. 74-58-95 (Earlier bearing HASB Khata no. 207/B) in Sy no. 18/2 situated at Kodihalli Village, Varthur Hobli, Bangalore East Taluk, Bangalore measuring 2090 sq.ft. and bounded: East- Private Property, West- Private Property, North- Private property, South- Road. **Coordinates of the property : Latitude- 12.57525N, Longitude- 77.38560E**	₹. 159.32	₹.15.93	1.00
2	Machineries and Equipment's Owner of Sri Alok Park, Whitefield Road, Bangalore. **Coordinates of the property : Latitude- 12.9880029, Longitude- 77.733985**	₹. 41.49	₹.4.14	1.00

Known encumbrances, if any: Not to the knowledge of the Bank.
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Date : 13.06.2025
Place: Bangalore
Sd/- Authorised Officer, Canara Bank

PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice is hereby given to the Public that Original Declaration Deed dated 31.05.2022 registered as document No.237/2022-23 of Book-IV in the office of the Sub-Registrar Shanthinagar, Bangalore Situated at Begur Village, Begur Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, has been lost. All the persons are hereby informed not to deal or carry out any transaction with anyone on the basis of the Declaration Deed If anyone has already carried out or being carried out kindly inform the undersigned in writing on the below mentioned address within 7 days from this present along with that Police complaint is also given vide Lost Report No. 1651186/2025.

Y. Sowmya Yadav, Advocate
Samvruddhi Legal, # 83, Ground Floor, 5th 'A' Cross, 21st Main, J.P. Nagar 2nd Phase, Bangalore-78. **M : 9916343921**

PUBLIC NOTICE

This is to bring to the notice of the general public that our client **Mr. Sarath Sukidhan S/o Sri. K.Kirubakaran** is intending to purchase the schedule property mentioned hereunder from **1) Sri.Chinnappa, 2) Sri.Krishnappa and 3) Sri.Muniraju** all sons of Sri.Muddappa; any person/s objecting for the proposed purchase or are having any right, title, interest or any type of claim over the scheduled property is hereby called upon to file their objections/claims what so ever along with documentary proof on or before **7 days** from the date of publication of this notice with the under mentioned advocate failing which; our clients shall proceed and complete the sale transaction with the above stated person.

SCHEDULE PROPERTY

All that piece and parcel of the Property bearing **Site No.29,** formed out of Sy.No.55/1 and 55/9[Old No.55], situated at **Chikkagubbi village Bidarahalli Hobli, Bangalore East Taluk** measuring East to West : **50 feet** and North to South **:51 feet** in all measuring **2550 square feet** and bounded on the :
East by : Munishamappa's Land, West by : Site No.30, North by : Road, South by : Mylalappa's land

C.K.V.K. LAW ASSOCIATES
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Advocates & Legal Consultants Bangalore-43
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PUBLIC NOTICE

General public are hereby informed that, our client **Sri.Nagaraj Kolar Ramachandraiyer, S/o. Sri. K.V.Ramachandraiyer,** Residing at:No.G1 Kabini Apts, 19th B Main, First Block, Rajajinagar, Bengaluru-560 010, has lost original documents viz., **1)** Allotment Letter issued by the City Improvement Trust. **2)** Possession Certificate dated 28-09-1968, bearing No. 871/1968-69, issued by the City Improvement Trust in the name of Sri.Bajjappa. **3)** Conditional sale deed dated 08-07-1974, registered as document No.2056/1974-75 in respect of immovable residential property bearing **BDA No.129, situated at Jabbar Block, Palace Guttahalli, Bangalore,** while taking Xerox copy of the same near 1st block, Rajajinagar. Our client had lodged an online police complaint **on 13-06-2025, lost report No.1650133/2025.** If anybody found the said document please contact this **Nos.9844155041 and 9845939307.**

V.S.Rai & Associates, LAW FIRM
No. 23, "Venkatadri" 6th Main, 5th Cross, S.R.Nagar, Bangalore-560027.
Ph : 080-22223949, 9844155041.

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ARM BRANCH – II, 2nd Floor, Circle Office, Spencers Towers, No.86, M G Road, Bengaluru, Ph No. : 080-25310181, E-MAIL – cb6298@canarabank.com

DEMAND NOTICE TO BORROWER / GUARANTOR / MORTGAGOR

It is hereby informed that our earlier Demand Notice dated 30.08.2024 is withdrawn

Notice issued under Section 13(2) of the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002.

That you, have availed various loan against which there are outstanding liabilities as mentioned below. We had called upon you to clear the entire liabilities for the loans borrowed from our Branch.
You have committed default in repayment of loans as mentioned below and the loans were classified as Non Performing Assets. The Bank through this notice brings to your attention that you have failed and neglected to repay the said dues/ outstanding liabilities and hence hereby demand you under Section 13(2) of the Act, by issuing this notice to discharge in full the liabilities of the Borrower as stated in hereunder to the Bank **within 60 days from the date of receipt of this notice.** The notice under Sec.13(2) of the Act sent to you by Post. Ack. has returned undelivered.
Further, it is brought to your notice that you are also liable to pay future interest at the rate together with all costs, charges, expenses and incidental expenses with respect to the proceedings undertaken by the bank in recovering its dues.
Please take note of the fact that if you fail to repay to the Bank the aforesaid together with further interest and incidental expenses and costs as stated above in terms of this notice under Section 13(2) of the Act, The Bank will exercise all or any of the rights detailed under sub-section (4)(a) and (b) of Section 13. You are hereby restrained from dealing with any of the secured assets detailed below in terms of Section 13(13).
Your attention is invited to provisions of sub-section (8) of Section 13 of the Act, in respect of time available, to redeem the secured assets.

SL No. 1 — Details of Borrower

Branch Name : ARM II Branch,
Borrower : 1. Sri V Narayanamurthy, 2. Mrs. S Damayanthi (Co-Borrower)
3. Mrs. S Damayanthi (Co-Borrower) : # F 17, 3rd Cross, Brahmananda Mutt Street Ramachandrapuram, Bangalore-560021.
4. V N Saravanan S/o Sri V Narayanamurthy,
5. Mrs. J N Vijayalakshmi W/o Sri V Narayanamurthy
No. 1,2,4 & 5 are at : #214, 3rd D Lane, 3rd Stage, 2nd Block, Judge Colony Basaveswarnagar, Bangalore - 560079.

Balance Outstanding Amount : Rs. 68,40,308.48 - (Rupees Sixty Eight Lakhs Forty Thousand Three Hundred And Eight and Paise Forty Eight Only) as on 11.06.2025 with interest thereon.

[Details of liability as on date 11.06.2025]

Loan No	Nature of Loan / Limit	Principal as on date 11.06.2025	Interest and other charges as on date 11.06.2025	Total Liability as on 11.06.2025
0409619000197	HOUSING LOAN	Rs. 66,33,106.48	Rs. 2,07,202.00	Rs. 68,40,308.48

Details of Immovable Assets : All that piece and parcel of the immovable property bearing No 553, municipal No 553/2, 7th Cross, Rajajinagar 3rd Stage, Prakash Nagar, Bangalore measuring East to West 30 ft and North to South 50+51/2 ft consisting of building with 4500sqft and bounded on the **East By:** Property No 552, **West By:** Property No 554, **North By:** Road, **South By:** Property No 562.
Name of Title holder : V Narayanamurthy, J N Vijaya, V N Saravanan And Smt S Damayanthy

Notice Date : 13.06.2025 NPA Date : 29.08.2024

SL No. 2

Branch Name : ARM II Branch,
Borrower : 1. V N Saravanan (Borrower) S/o Sri V Narayanamurthy
2. Mrs. S Damayanthi (Co-Borrower)
No. 1 & 2 are at : #214, 3rd D Lane, 3rd Stage, 2nd Block, Judge Colony Basaveswarnagar, Bangalore - 560079.
3. Mrs. S Damayanthi (Co-Borrower) : Also at : # F 17, 3rd Cross, Brahmananda Mutt Street Ramachandrapuram, Bangalore-560021.

Balance Outstanding Amount : Rs. 1,04,20,604.86 - (Rupees one Crore Four Lakhs Twenty Thousand Six Hundred And Four and Paise Eighty Six Only) as on 12.06.2025 with interest thereon.

[Details of liability as on date 12.06.2025]

Loan No	Nature of Loan / Limit	Principal as on date 12.06.2025	Interest and other charges as on date 17.05.2025	Total Liability as on 11.06.2025	Rate of Interest
0409619000215	HOUSING LOAN	Rs. 1,00,81,421.86	Rs. 3,39,183.00	Rs. 1,04,20,604.86	10.45%

Details of Immovable Assets : All that piece and parcel of property bearing old no 92, New No 33 of Kethamaranahalli Vollage, Sy No 53 Lakshminarayanapura, 3rd Main Road, BBMP Ward No 97, having PID NO 24-42-33 measuring East to West 12 Ft and North to South 10 Ft aand East to West 60ft and North to South 75ft and East to West Northern Side 26 ft souther side 35 ft and North to South, eastern side 6ft,western side 40Ft totally measuring 5321 sqft bounded on the **East by :** Private property, **West by :** Private property and Road, **North by :** Property belonging to Natesh and other private property and **South by :** Corporation Drain. **Name of Title holder : Sri V N Saravanan And Smt S Damayanthy.**

Notice Date : 13.06.2025 NPA Date : 29.08.2024

SL No. 3

Branch Name : ARM II Branch,
Borrower : 1. M/s Shakthi Printech (Borrower), No 552,7th Cross, III Main, Ayyappa Temple Road, Prakash Nagar, Bangalore-560021.
2. M/s Shakthi Printech (Borrower), No 16, 3rd And 5th Cross, 2nd Main Road, Ramachandrapuram, Bangalore-560021.
3. V N Saravanan (Proprietor) S/o Sri V Narayanamurthy
4. Sri V Narayanamurthy (Guarantor)
No. 3 & 4 are at : #214, 3rd D Lane, 3rd Stage, 2nd Block, Judge Colony Basaveswarnagar, Bangalore - 560079.

Balance Outstanding Amount : Rs. 91,52,788.25 - (Rupees Ninety One Lakhs Fifty Two Thousand Seven Hundred And Eighty Eight And Paise Twenty Five Only) as on 12.06.2025 with interest thereon.

[Details of liability as on date 12.06.2025]

Loan No	Nature of Loan / Limit	Principal as on date 12.06.2025	Interest and other charges as on date 12.06.2025	Total Liability as on 12.06.2025
0409261015816	MSME OD/OCC	Rs. 50,04,339.89	Rs. 2,07,202.00	Rs. 62,36,583.91
0409746000002	WCTL	Rs. 26,42,420.34	Rs. 2,73,784.00	Rs. 29,16,204.34

Details of Movable Assets : Hypothecation of stock and book debts value as at 31.05.2019
Stock 112.37 Lakhs, Slow moving stock 84.15 Lakhs, Book debts upto 90 days 60.50 Lakhs, Book debts above 90 days 68.74 Lakhs. Nature of charge : Exclusive.
Details of Immovable Assets : All that part and parcel of the immovable property bearing No 23, Municipal No 23, Site No 64, 3rd Cross Road, Sai Baba Nagar, Srirampuram, Bangalore-21 measuring 19.3*60 ft consisting of building and bounded by: **East by:** Property No 63, **West By:** Property of Rangaiammals, **North By:** Property No 33, **South By:** 3rd Cross Road.
Name of the title holder : Mr V Narayanamurthy.

Notice Date : 13.06.2025 NPA Date : 29.08.2024

Place : Bangalore
Date : 13.06.2025
Authorised Officer, Canara Bank

PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice is hereby given to the general public that, the Original Power of Attorney dated 09/12/2021 adjudicated by District Registrar, Devanahalli Taluk, Bangalore Rural, executed by Mr. Gopi Ram Panthiyil and Mrs. Bijayalakshmi Gopi Ram in favour of Anand Ramachandran with respect to immovable property being a Residential Apartment bearing No.701 on the 7th Floor of 'D' Wing in the Residential Complex known as **CALGARY,** measuring 1188 Square feet of Super Built up area, constructed on the property bearing Survey Nos. 113/1ABCD, 113/2(P), 113/3(P), 113P(4), 143 of Sanna Ammanikere Village, Kasaba Hobli, Devanahalli Taluk, Bangalore Rural District approved by the Bangalore Development Authority, with Two covered parking garages allocated in the basement bearing Nos. CA-B-141 & CA-B-142T along with 0.34% i.e., 476.27 Square feet of undivided share, title and interest in the land (**'said Property'**), has been misplaced and not traceable. The report of the same has been lodged on 11.06.2025, vide Lost Report No. 1647132/2025.

If found, kindly inform to office of Mr. Vishwas. S, Advocate & Consultant, **DHITI LAW CHAMBERS**, HM Geneva House, No. 409, Cunningham Road, Bangalore – 560052.

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Head Office: Bangalore

ARM-1 Branch,
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SALE NOTICE

E-AUCTION SALE NOTICE FOR SALE OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTIES UNDER THE SECURITISATION AND RECONSTRUCTION OF FINANCIAL ASSETS AND ENFORCEMENT OF SECURITY INTEREST ACT, 2002 READ WITH PROVISO TO RULE 8 (6) OF THE SECURITY INTEREST (ENFORCEMENT) RULES, 2002

Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower (s) and Guarantor (s) that the below described immovable property mortgaged to the Secured Creditor, the Physical Possession of which has been taken by the Authorised Officer of **ARM-1 Branch, Bengaluru of the Canara Bank, will be sold on "As is where is", "As is what is", and "Whatever there is"** on **30.06.2025 (11.00 AM to 11.30AM),** for recovery of **Rs.4,00,32,972.83 as on 05.06.2025** with further interest and cost thereon due to the ARM-1 Branch, Bengaluru of Canara Bank from **(1) M/s Tidewater shipping Private Limited,** Cunningham Classic, No.104, 22, Cunningham Road, Bangaluru-560052. **(2) Sri Subhash Menon** S/o Sri Gopal Menon, Flat No.1, CR II Floor, Regency Place No.7, Richmond Road, Bangalore 560002. **(3) Smt. Sunithi s Menon** W/o Sri Subhash Menon, **(4) Sri Aditya Menon** S/o Sri Subash Menon, **Both are residing at:** Flat No.1, C2 II Floor, Regency Place No.7, Richmond Road, Bangalore-560002.

The Earnest Money shall be Deposited by way of **E-Wallet of M/s PSB Alliance Private Limited (https://baanknet.com/)** portal directly or by generating the Challan therein to deposit the EMD through **RTGS/NEFT** in the account details as mentioned in the said challan on or before **27.06.2025 - 5.00pm** **(Rs. in lakhs)**

Lot No	Description of the immovable/movable assets:	Reserve Price	EMD Amount	Incremental value at Bid
1	Residential property situated at Flat no. 104, Municipal No. 22/5 PID No.78/62/22/5 On The First Floor of Building Known as " Cunningham Classic" Constructed on Property No. 22 (Old No.25), Ward No.78, Sampangi Ramaswamy Temple, Street Cunninghum Road, Bangalore. With super Built up area 578.65 Sq.ft, East By : Private Property, West By: Cunninghum Road, North By: Cunningham Crescent, South By: Private Property. **Owner of the Property : Sri Subhash Menon & Smt. Sunithi Menon. Coordinates of the property, Latitude- 12.983639 Longitude- 77.598278**	₹. 98.11	₹.9.81	1.00

Known encumbrances, if any: Not to the knowledge of the Bank.
For detailed terms and conditions of the sale please refer the link "E-Auction" provided in Canara Bank's website (www.canarabank.com) or E-Wallet of M/s PSB Alliance Private Limited (https://baanknet.com/) portal and may contact ARM-1 Branch, Bengaluru, Canara Bank, Ph. No.080-25310066, 6381952519, 9966397756 and 9039609346 during office hours on any working day.

Date : 13.06.2025
Place: Bangalore
Sd/- Authorised Officer, Canara Bank

PUBLIC NOTICE

This is to bring to the notice of the general public that our clients **1) Mr.Lakshman Natarajan** S/o Mr.Natarajan and **2) Mrs.Rexaline Maria C** W/o Mr.Lakshman Natarajan both are intending to purchase the schedule property mentioned hereunder from **1) Smt.Shakunthala** W/o. Sri.Late. C.Gangadhara and her children **2) Mr.Manohar Gangadhara 3) Smt.Pavithra;** any person/s objecting for the proposed purchase or are having any right, title, interest or any type of claim over the scheduled property is hereby called upon to file their objections/claims what so ever along with documentary proof on or before **7 days** from the date of publication of this notice with the under mentioned advocate failing which; our clients shall proceed and complete the sale transaction with the above stated person.

SCHEDULE PROPERTY

All that piece and parcel of the portion of the property bearing **BBMP e-PID No.84-78-656/4,** BBMP Katha No.656/4, carved out of **Property No.44/1,** bearing Katha No.101/3, 103/2, 104/2, 104/3, 656, 656/1, 656/2, 656/3, 656/4 of **Old Byappanahalli M. S. Nagar Post, Bangalore-560033,** Measuring East by **28 Feet,** West by **28 Feet,** North by **50 Feet** and South by **50 Feet** measuring in all **1400 Square Feet** or 130.0642 Square Meter, Presently coming under the limits of Bruhat Bangalore Mahanagara Palike, Bangalore, Ward No.50 (old ward No.84) and bounded on;
East by : Private Property, West by: 18 Feet Road, North by: Private Property, South by: Private Property.

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CENTRAL RAILWAY
SOLAPUR DIVISION
E-TENDER NOTICE

E-Tender Notice No.: 11-2025-SrDENCo. DRM (W)'s, Central Railway, Solapur on behalf of the president of India invites E-tender from the reputed firms/Contractor for the following work: **Name of work**: Solapur division - supply and installation of GFL - 78 nos. **Approximate cost of work**: ₹ 12,15,69,552/-. **Earnest Money**: ₹ 7,57,900/-. **Completion period of the work**: 60 (Sixty) Months. **Maintenance Period**: Nil. **Cost of Tender form**: Nil. **Date and Time for Submission for tender on www.ireps.gov.in website**: **02.07.2025** up to **15:00 hrs. Date and Time of Opening of Tender on www.ireps.gov.in: 02.07.2025** after **15:30 hrs. Website particulars**: **www.ireps.gov.in. Note** : The Prospective tenderers are advised to revisit the website frequently before the date of closing of tender to note any change/corrigendum issued for this tender website : **www.ireps.gov.in**

Divisional Railway Manager (Works) CR, Solapur
Akar/Sur-51

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SOUTH WESTERN RAILWAY

The undersigned, on behalf of the President of India, Invites E-Tenders for the following work:

Publication of Tender Notice No. B-SG-Proj-SBC-N-KAVACH-R7 Dated : 02-06-2025

Item of work	Approx. Value
Field trials for KAVACH	Rs. 23,17,55,624.00

New Vendors (OEMs) - Design, development, supply, installation, trial and commissioning of On-board KAVACH equipment in locomotives and trackside KAVACH equipment at station/LC/IB/ABS locations along with associated works for KAVACH in KSR Bengaluru City - Baiyyappanahalli (Ex) & Yeshwantpur - Dodbelle (Ex) sections of South Western Railway. **(Reach-7)**

Publication of Tender Notice No. B-SG-Proj-SBC-N-KAVACH-R8 Dated : 02-06-2025

Item of work	Approx. Value
Field trials for KAVACH	Rs. 20,56,67,069.91

New Vendors (OEMs) - Design, development, supply, installation, trial and commissioning of On-board KAVACH equipment in locomotives and trackside KAVACH equipment at station/LC/IB/ABS locations along with associated works for KAVACH in Baiyyappanahalli (BYPL) - Whitefield Panel Cabin (WHPC) (Excluding) and Dodbele (DBL) - Kyatsandra (KDAG) (Excluding) sections of South Western Railway. **(Reach-8)**

Publication of Tender Notice No. B-SG-Proj-SBC-N-KAVACH-R9 Dated : 02-06-2025

Item of work	Approx. Value
Field trials for KAVACH	Rs. 18,25,91,253.84

New Vendors (OEMs) - Design, development, supply, installation, trial and commissioning of On-board KAVACH equipment in locomotives and trackside KAVACH equipment at station/LC/IB/ABS locations along with associated works for KAVACH in Whitefield Panel Cabin (WHPC) - Whitefield (WFD) & Kyatsandra (KDAG) - Tumakuru sections of South Western Railway. **(Reach-9)**

Last date for submission of bids above: **Tenders Upto 15:00 Hrs. on 09-07-2025**

For details log on: www.ireps.gov.in

Deputy Chief Signal & Telecommunication Engineer / Project / Bengaluru
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AUCTION SALE NOTICE

Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the borrower (s) and guarantor (s) that the below described movable property/ies hypothecated to the secured creditor, the physical possession of which has been taken in exercise of the power conferred under the hypothecation agreement by **ARM-2 Branch, Canara Bank, Bangalore,** will be sold on **"as is where is", "as is what is", and "whatever there is"** basis on **02.07.2025, 1.00 PM to 3.00 PM**, against the total liability of **Rs.4,92,54,201.56 as on 08.06.2025** (with further interest and charges). **Borrower: (1) M/s Sri Pravira Hospitality and Services Pvt Ltd.,** No 1817, Fortuna Srinivasam, S201, 12th Main Road, 31st Cross, 2nd Stage, Banashankari, Bengaluru-560070. **(2) Mr. Ramprakash Patwardhan (Director cum Guarantor),** No.428, 9th Main, Avalahally, BDA Layout, Bengaluru-560085. **(2)a. Mr.Ramprakash Patwardhan (Director cum Guarantor)** C/o SathyamurthyPattavardhan,No.618, 24th Cross, 20th Main, Poornaprajna Layout, Subramanyapura, Bengaluru-560061. **(3) Mrs. Lakshmi Sridhar (Director cum Guarantor)** W/o Mr Sridhar Somashekar, No.994/A, 4th Cross, Ashoknagar, Banashankari 1st Stage, Bengaluru-560050. **(4) Mr. Vijay Sagar Shetty (Guarantor)** C/o Ganesha, No.1817, Fortuna Srinivasam, S201, 12th Main Road, 31st Cross, 2nd Stage, Banashankari, Bengaluru-560070.

Sl. No.	Vehicle Model	Registration Month & Year	Registration No.	Reserve price	EMD amount
1.	Ashok Leyland GP4825 tanker Goods carriage -HMV	JAN-2024	TS-07-UP-1167	Rs 48,00,000/-	Rs 4,80,000/-
2	Ashok Leyland GP4825 tanker Goods carriage -HMV	JAN-2024	TS-07-UP-1152	Rs 48,00,000/-	Rs 4,80,000/-
3	Ashok Leyland GP4825 tanker Goods carriage -HMV	JAN-2024	TS-07-UP-1356	Rs 48,00,000/-	Rs 4,80,000/-
4	Ashok Leyland GP4825 tanker Goods carriage -HMV	JAN-2024	TS-07-UP-1125	Rs 48,00,000/-	Rs 4,80,000/-
5	Ashok Leyland GP4825 tanker Goods carriage -HMV	JAN-2024	TS-07-UP-1149	Rs 48,00,000/-	Rs 4,80,000/-
	E-AUCTION - 02.07.2025				

1. The Earnest Money Deposit stated above shall be deposited on or before **01.07.2025 .** The EMD amount has to be paid by Demand Draft (DD) favouring **ARM-2 Branch, Canara Bank, Bangalore** OR through online **(RTGS/NEFT to A/c No. 209272434; IFSC Code: CNRB0006298.**
2. E-Auction of vehicles will be held on **02.07.2025, between 1.00 P.M. to 3.00 P.M** by the service provider **www.bankeauctionwizard.com.** The incremental value will be **Rs.1,00,000/-**
3. It shall be the responsibility of the interested bidders to inspect and satisfy themselves about the vehicles before submission of the bid. For Vehicles inspection details please contact **Mobile No . 9483544116, 8921102717, 9113092975 and 080-25310181**
4. The intending bidder should submit the KYC Documents along with the bid application.
5. Successful bidder have to remit the balance amount within 3 days from the date of E-Auction, otherwise the EMD amount will be forfeited and will not be refunded under any circumstances. It shall be the responsibility of the successful bidder to bear all the charges for conveyance, transfer registration charges, etc., as applicable.
6. Bank reserves the right to postpone/cancel or vary the terms and conditions of the e-auction without assigning any reason thereof.
7. **For further details contact, Chief Manager, Canara Bank , ARM Branch-2- (9483544116, 8921102717, 9113092975 and 080-25310181) e-mail id – cb6298@canarabank.com or the service provider M/s.PSB Alliance(Baanknet) E-mail: support.baanknet@psballiance.com**

Date : 13.06.2025
Place : Bengaluru
Sd/- Authorised Officer, Canara Bank

WEST CENTRAL RAILWAY

Dy.CEE/Project/BPL, Branch
OPEN TENDER
NIT No.: BPL-ELP-OHE-T-2025-01 date: 11.06.2025

The Dy.CEE/Project/BPL West Central Railway, Bhopal for and on behalf of President of India invites applications on prescribed tender form for the following works – **NIT No.** - Tender No.: BPL-ELP- OHE-T-2025-01 Dated:11.06.2025, **Name of work with location** - Design, supply, erection, testing, and commissioning of Upgradation to electric traction system from 1 x 25 kV to 2 x 25 kV to meet 3000 MT loading target in Sukhisewaniyan-Bina Jn. section of BPL division, West-Central Railway. **Cost of tender (In Rs.)** - 1104993364.37, **Address of the office from where the tender form can be purchased.** - Dy.CEE/Project /BPL, **Bid Security (In Rs.)** - 5675000.00, **Completion period (In Months)** - 18 Months, **Date & Time for submission of tender (Up to 15.00 hrs. on)** - 14/07/2025 15:00 hrs, **Opening of Technical Bids at venue** - 14/07/2025 at 15:30 hrs. Complete details of tender notice available on the Railway website "https://ireps.gov.in". Complete tender form can be down loaded from above website.

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Dy.CEE (Project), WCR, Bhopal

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Kitchen couture

From sleek layouts to smart storage, Indian kitchens go luxe

Rashmi Gopal Rao

It is often said that the kitchen is the heart of a home. And in recent years, the designs of Indian kitchens have undergone a sea change.

"Kitchens have evolved from purely functional areas to dynamic spaces that blend style, technology and practicality in their design approach. Kitchens are also becoming a critical part of the overall immersive experience in Indian households, wherein the idea is not only to cook but to gather as a family and spend more time together," says Rahul Mistri, founder and principal designer, Open Atelier, Mumbai.

He adds that while closed kitchens have not disappeared entirely, the new-age clientele has a growing preference for open layouts that seamlessly integrate the kitchen with spaces like the dining room and living areas to create a more connected home environment.

Curating small, impactful additions like breakfast counters enhances social interaction and optimises space, addressing the need for efficient living in urban homes.

Sophisticated materials, U-shaped and L-shaped layouts that offer natural workflow and maximise space, ceramic, quartz and marble-finished countertops, along with smart storage, are some of the key trends in kitchen designs.

"Material palettes have evolved to include natural stones like granite, engineered quartz, and warm-toned veneers. Two-tone cabinetry, neutral uppers with bold base units, is on trend, as are jewel tones like emerald, deep blue, and wine. Brass and gold hardware, layered lighting, smart appliances and touch-to-open systems are also seeing increasing adoption," says Nayan Shah, founder and principal architect, Palindrome Spaces.

An open kitchen by Alkove Design. YAMINI KRISHNA PHOTOGRAPHY

Matte finishes and handleless cabinets are also in vogue. "Muted shades like charcoal, beige, deep green, and walnut brown are increasingly being preferred. Smart storage solutions like tall pull-out units, pantry systems, hydraulic overheads, and corner carousels are commonly used to reduce clutter," says Neha Garg, founder and principal designer, Studio Jane Designs.

There is little doubt that Indian cooking is rich, layered and often complex. Hence, it is critical to balance aesthetics with practicality, given the intensity of cooking styles and the high foot traffic these spaces often endure.

"While global trends offer a great foundation in terms of clean forms and modern finishes, they need to be adapted to the way an Indian kitchen is used every day. We often incorporate high-suction chimneys, heat- and stain-resistant surfaces, and durable storage options that can handle elaborate cookware," says Siddhina Sakla, founder and principal architect, The Arch Studio.

Materiality, durability, and ease of maintenance are critical.

"Pull-out spice racks and oil drawers on either side for convenience, oversized sinks to handle heavy cookware and reduce splashing, anti-fingerprint laminates to help minimise smudges, and low-porosity quartz, which prevents turmeric staining, are ideal for Indian kitchens. For ergonomic tweaks, we include slightly lower island sections for chapati rolling and toe-kick drawers that use plinth space without stealing cabinet volume," says Komal Mittal, co-founder and principal architect, Alkove-Design.

Here is a look at five uniquely designed modern kitchens.

Sassy Bow by Studio Jane Designs | Mumbai

This kitchen reflects the home's overall theme, which is rooted in modernist principles and material contrasts. The 250 sq.ft. space is open to the living and dining areas and is deliberately minimal yet striking. "The layout is linear with a central wooden island that doubles as a dining counter and workspace. Black statement stools contrast sharply with the wood, reinforcing the moody palette seen across the home. The colour scheme is subtle but bold: deep browns for the cabinetry, a light wood-tone island, and large-format marble with dramatic veining across the walls and backsplash. These choices give the space an elegant, sculptural vibe," says Garg. Built-in storage units are paired with a palette of charcoal grey, beige, and peach, offering both function and restraint. Matte black handmade stools sit against a warm wood island, highlighting the blend of textures across the space. The layout is open, fluid, and deeply functional.

A sculptural and moody kitchen by Sassy Bow.

Jade by The Arch Studio | Mumbai

This charming 120-foot kitchen feels like an oasis with the space bathed in calming hues of green. It evokes a sense of tranquility while symbolising growth and harmony. "Mint green cabinetry is paired with a deep green tiled backsplash, which complements the soft beige flooring. This functional U-shaped layout has ample storage in the form of closed overhead and base cabinetry. Pull-out wicker baskets add rustic charm and work well for dry storage, while the open wooden shelves lend a sense of warmth and are used to store items that are used daily," says Sakla. Sleek, contemporary cabinetry offers generous storage solutions while maintaining a minimalist, uncluttered aesthetic. Every element has been carefully considered to balance beauty and utility.

Slice of Amalfi by Palindrome Spaces | Mumbai

Designed for a millennial couple who enjoy entertaining, this compact yet stylish kitchen-dining-bar area features an open-concept layout and flows effortlessly into the lounge. Overhead cabinets blend seamlessly with the grey walls, creating a subtle backdrop for the space's standout details. The striking combination of waterstone granite countertops with mother-of-pearl detailing, brass hardware, and bespoke emerald green cabinetry completes the regal look."Lighting includes recessed ceiling lights for ambient illumination, under-cabinet LEDs for task lighting, and vintage-style pendant lights near the dining area for accent. Fully modular storage with deep drawers, corner units, a tall pantry cabinet, integrated appliances, and a concealed chimney system eliminates visual clutter," says Shah.

Casa Tao by Alkove-Design | Pune

This 240-sq.ft. kitchen has an open layout and is a lesson in thoughtful detailing. "The design encourages flow, comfort, and expression. The curved breakfast counter serves both as a prep and serving area and its soft form adds fluidity to movement and interaction in the space. It is designed with a fluted white ply base. This added texture allowed us to soften the overall geometry of the space through the curve. The deep blue duco-painted cabinets inject energy and personality and create a striking contrast against the white fluted base and the neutral tones of the marble countertop," says Ninada Kashyap, co-founder and principal architect, Alkove-Design.

Sweven by Open Atelier | Mumbai

Inspired by 90s French interiors, this almost 200 sq.ft. kitchen space, which balances modern functionality with classic elegance, is a functional yet aesthetically refined space.

A palette of white marble and ivory cabinets adorns the space, evoking a sense of timeless elegance. Natural light is carefully integrated through large windows,enhancing the sense of openness and connection to the outdoors and reducing the need for artificial lighting during the day.

"We addressed storage through concealed solutions to ensure a clutter-free, clean environment without compromising on style. Practicality and durability extend to material choices, with the flooring and panelling meticulously planned to minimise waste and ensure longevity, reflecting our commitment towards creating sustainable spaces," says Mistri.

The Bengaluru-based freelance writer is passionate about all things design, travel, food, art and culture.

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City climbs seven spots to reach 14th place in Global Start-up Ecosystem Index

'In the last year alone, Bengaluru-Karnataka has evolved from rising star to standing firmly among the titans of the global start-up economy,' the report says

Shilpa Elizabeth
BENGALURU

Among the Indian cities ranked in the report, Bengaluru tops the chart, followed by Delhi in 29th position and Mumbai in the 40th. GETTY IMAGES

Bengaluru climbed seven spots to reach the 14th place in the Global Start-up Ecosystem Report (GSER) 2025, from 21st last year. Among the Indian cities ranked in the report, Bengaluru tops the chart, followed by Delhi in 29th position and Mumbai in 40th.

The report, unveiled by innovation ecosystem development consultant Startup Genome at Viva Technology 2025 – an annual technology conference held in Paris – ranks ecosystems based on performance, funding, market reach, talent and experience, knowledge and emerging AI-native strength.

Silicon Valley, New York City, and London came in the top three positions. Bengaluru was ranked number 5 among the Top 50 AI cities globally.

Maturing ecosystem

"In the last year alone, Bengaluru-Karnataka has evolved from "rising star" to standing firmly among the titans of the global start-up economy," the report said.

It cited a mix of factors such as billion-dollar exits, deep sectoral strength, government-led capital interventions, and one of the richest talent ecosystems in the world as the reason behind the city's strong performance.

> This ranking is not just a number; it reflects the structural resilience and readiness of Karnataka's innovation economy
>
> **PRIYANK KHARGE**
> IT/BT MINISTER

Among the examples highlighted are Swiggy's public debut with a $12 billion valuation, which was one of the largest IPOs to come out of India, GoDigit's $3.6 billion public listing, Indegene's valuation at $1.3 billion and Blackbuck's $1 billion IPO.

"These success stories weren't anomalies; they were the results of a deep, maturing ecosystem that also saw total ecosystem value reach $136 billion in 2024. Bengaluru-Karnataka also produced 32 unicorns between 2020 and 2024, proving its capacity to consistently scale high-potential startups into global contenders," read the report.

Proactive policies

Between 2020 and 2024, $38 billion of VC funding flowed into the region marking strong investor confidence. The report also termed the startup policies of the State as 'decisive' and 'proactive.' The report highlighted how the state government, in its 2025 budget, announced a Fund of Funds initiative and earmarked ₹100 crore for Deep Tech development.

"This ranking is not just a number; it reflects the structural resilience and readiness of the State's innovation economy. Bengaluru has always been a builder's city, and our rise in the GSER shows how our ecosystem's potential is translating into global outcomes," said IT-BT minister Priyank Kharge, who joined a panel discussion at the event.

Two-day Mango Mela at Hebbal from today

The Hindu Bureau
BENGALURU

Mango lovers in Bengaluru are in for a treat this weekend as the Hebbal Mango Mela will be held on June 14 and 15.

The two-day event, jointly organised by the Alumni Association of the University of Agricultural Sciences, Bangalore, Karnataka State Mango Development and Marketing Corporation Limited, and the Department of Horticulture, Government of Karnataka, will showcase mango varieties from across India.

The mela will be held on the Alumni Association premises on the Veterinary College campus at Hebbal and will be open to the public from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.

1,35,969 engineering seats available this year, including 64,047 under govt. quota

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Engineering draft seat matrix

Year	Colleges	Total seats	Government quota seats
2025-26	217	1,35,969	64,047
2024-25	245	1,41,009	66,663

The Higher Education Department (Technical Education and Planning) has released the draft seat matrix for engineering and architecture courses in the State, according to which there are 1,35,969 seats in 217 engineering colleges for the academic year 2025-26. This includes 64,047 seats under government quota.

This number is 5,313 fewer compared to last year. During 2024-25 academic year, a total of 1,41,009 seats, including 66,663 government quota seats, were available in 245 engineering colleges.

However, a senior official of Karnataka Examination Authority (KEA) said, "Some colleges have yet to upload the seat matrix and some colleges are yet to get the approval from the AICTE. After that, the total number of seats available may go up."

Like every year, this year too, there are a large number of seats available in Computer Science and Engineering (CSE) courses. This time, a total of 33,813 CSE seats are available, including 15,754 government quota seats. Last year a total of 35,013 CSE seats, including 16,280 government quota seats, were available.

There are 18,492 seats in Electronics and Communication engineering, 8,538 Information Science and Engineering seats available this year.

A total of 2,75,677 students became eligible for counselling after the Common Entrance Test (CET-2025), among which 2,62,195 are for engineering stream against 2.74 lakh students last year .

27.67% students pass SSLC annual exam-2

The Hindu Bureau
BENGALURU

The Karnataka School Examination and Assessment Board (KSEAB) has announced the results of SSLC Annual Exam-2 on Friday and 27.67% students managed to pass. Of the total 3,15,564 students who appeared for the exam, 87,330 cleared it. The pass rate of freshers is 30%.

Of the 11,818 students who appeared to improve their results, 56% of them were successful .

With 27.67% clearing the exam-2, the overall pass percentage of SSLC this year is now 71.43%. In exam-1, of the 8,61,800 students who appeared, 5,28,263 managed to pass.

Even in exam-2, girls fared better with 35% pass rate versus 27% among boys. Government school students performed better than their private counterparts schools with 36.65% government school children clearing the exam-2 followed by 19.75% from aided schools and 32% from unaided schools.

Appreciating the performance of government school children, the Minister for School Education and Literacy, Madhu Bangarappa, said, "In the annual exam-2, the pass percentage of government schools is 36.65%, which is higher than the results of aided and unaided schools. This is the reward for the hard work of teachers and students of our government schools."

Exam-3

KSEAB has released the time table for annual exam-3 and it will be held from July 5 to 12 across the State for students who have obtained 'Not completed' result in SSLC exam-1 and exam-2 and for those who look for result improvement.

Special express train service

The Hindu Bureau
BENGALURU

To accommodate the increased passenger demand, South Western Railway has announced the launch of a special express train service between Sir M. Visvesvaraya Terminal (SMVT), Bengaluru, and Bidar.

The train will operate between June 15 and 30, for a total of five trips in each direction.

This temporary service is expected to provide much-needed relief to passengers during the high-demand travel period and improve connectivity between Bengaluru and northern Karnataka.

IN THE HIGH COURT OF KARNATAKA AT BENGALURU
NOTICE TO THE RESPONDENT NO.2
VIDE COURT ORDER DATED 03/06/2025
WRIT PETITION NO.33788/2018 (GM-CPC)

SHRI K.V. SHIVAKUMAR, S/o Late Shri K. Vishwanathaiah Setty, R/at No.3, Church Road, Basavanagudi, Bangalore-560 004. ...**PETITIONER**

-V/s-

MRS. AYESHA MOOSA, W/o Late Sri K. Mohammed Moosa, Since Dead By Her Lrs., **2. MRS. SALMA,** D/o Late Sri K. Kandnery Mohammed Moosa, R/at No.18, 3rd Cross, Kammanahalli Main Road, Bangalore-560 084. ...**RESPONDENTS**

To:

2. MRS. SALMA, D/o Late Sri K. Kandnery Mohammed Moosa, R/at No.18, 3rd Cross, Kammanahalli Main Road, Bangalore-560084.

Whereas the above named petitioners have preferred I.A.No.1/2024 praying this Court to and also on petition filed under Article 227 of the Constitution of India, praying to grant an order, permitting the service of this Court Notice upon the Respondent No.2 through substituted service by way of paper publication, the same in "Hindu" a daily English-language newspaper, and "Vijay Karnataka" a daily Kannada-language newspaper.

Notice is hereby given to you to appear in this Court either in person or through counsel duly instructed or through someone authorised by law, to act for you in the above Writ Petition on **14/07/2025 at 10.30 A.M.** in case you intend to contest the Writ Petition. If you fail to appear, the same will be dealt with, heard and decided in your absence.

Issued under my hand and the seal of this court, on this the 03rd Day of June 2025.

By Order of the Court
***Sd/-* Assistant Registrar**

JHARKHAND URJA SANCHARAN NIGAM LIMITED
(CIN No.:U40108JH2013SGC001704)
Regd. Office: 2nd Floor, JUSNL (SLDC) Building Kusai Colony, Doranda, Ranchi - 834002
(E-mail:cetjusnl@gmail.com**)**

e-TENDER NOTICE

NIT NO.- 204/PR/JUSNL/2025-26

E-tender in two parts i.e. Technical (Part-I) and Financial (Part – II) is invited from reputed, capable, experienced and financially sound firm for the following works : -

Name of work	Design, Engineering, Supply of materials/ equipment, erection, testing & commissioning of LILO of 132 kV D/C Madanpur – Pakur Transmission line at 132/33 kV GSS, Amrapara on turnkey basis.
Estimated cost (Rs.)	Rs. 1,16,22,963.00 (including GST)
Earnest Money Deposit	Rs. 2,32,500.00 Online mode
Completion Period	06 (Six) Months
e-Tender fee	Rs. 10,000.00 + 18% GST Online mode.
Start Date & Time of Download the Tender Documents	18.06.2025 at 11:00 AM
Start Date and time of upload of BID	18.06.2025 at 11:00 AM
End date and time of upload of BID	08.07.2025 upto 04:00 PM
BID Opening date for technical part	09.07.2025 at 04:00 PM
BID Opening date for price part	Will be communicated
Procurement Officer and address for communication	General Manager, C&M (NWBP), 2nd Floor, JUSNL (SLDC) Building, Kusai Colony, Doranda, Ranchi – 834002

1. e-Tender document and BOQ including terms & conditions, tender specification can be downloaded from website https://jharkhandtenders.gov.in. Any details required in this regard can also be had from the office of the undersigned **(6202162568)** during office hours.
2. The bids will be received through electronic tendering mode only.
3. No claim shall be entertained on account of disruption of internet services being used by bidders. Bidders are advised to upload their bids well in advance to avoid last minute technical snag.

स्वहित एवं राष्ट्रहित में ऊर्जा बचायें। कृपया अपनी शिकायतों को 18003456570(कॉल सेन्टर) पर दर्ज करायें।

PR 354926 Jharkhand Urja Sancharan Nigam Ltd(25-26)#D

Sd/-
General Manager
C&M (NWBP)

SOUTH WESTERN RAILWAY

E-TENDER NOTICE No.15/MYS/2025 of 06.06.2025

The undersigned on behalf of the president of India, invites E-Tenders for the following works

Sl.No.	Item of work	Approx. value
1	Hassan-Mangaluru: Between Ballupete-Sakleshpur stations. Bridge No. 84 (Existing 1 x 4.57m RCC Slab) at km 27/900-28/000 Proposed replacement of exg RCC slab with PSC slab to 25t Axle Loading -2008	1,21,10,409
2	Hassan-Mangaluru Junction Section: Rehabilitation of Minor bridges No.134, 136, 139, 162, 163, 196, 226, 235, 236, 242, 301, 302, 314 & 343 by ventway extension, easing of side slope and protective works in Assistant Divisional Engineer/ Sakleshpur Sub division	3,68,59,014
3	Subrahmanya Road-Mangaluru Junction Section: Ancillary works to BCM for a length of 21.750 Kms	62,89,133
4	Sub Work-I: Sampige Road-Birur Section: TRR(P) at UP line (Km. 167/000-300, 208/000-210/500) & DN line (km. 153/000-260, 180/500-182/200, 187/400-197/100, 197/700 - 201/300, 206/700-207 /700) for length of 19.060 kms. (a) Through Rail Renewal Work (b) Making good surface at LC approach road Sub Work-II: Sampige Road-Birur Section: TFR at UP line (Km. 110/300-167/000, 167/300-186/500, 199/500-208/000, 210/500-211/800) & DN line (km.110/300-153/000, 153/260-180/500, 182/200-187/400, 203/800-206/700, 207/700-211/800) for length of 167.840 kms	5,38,96,030
5	Sub Work-I:- Harihar: Construction/ raising of Compound wall 1200 mtrs length. Sub Work-II:-Assistant Divisional Engineer/ Chitradurga Section:- Improvements to colony road at Shivani-700m, Holalkere-90m, Talaku-116m, Molakalmuru-110m & Chikjajur-250m	2,30,79,248
6	Assistant Divisional Engineer/Davanagere Sub div: Construction of gang tool cum rest room (Total 17 Nos- SSE/P.WAY/Harapanahalli-09 Nos, SSE/P.Way/ Davanagere-5 Nos and SSE/P.Way /Ranibennur-03 Nos)	2,57,97,580

Last date of submission of bid **30.06.2025 at 11.00 Hours.**

For details log on : **www.ireps.gov.in**

PUB/176/AAD360/PRB/SWR/2025-26

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No.8, MSB-1, 6th & 7th Floor, Karnataka Marketing Federation Building, Cunningham Road, Bengaluru-560052.

No: KREIS/EE-2/Tender-2/2025-26 Date: 13.06.2025

TENDER NOTIFICATION
(Through e-Procurement Only)

The tenders have been invited for **Supply & Installation of Digital Name Boards, Construction of Auditorium and Electrical works and Civil Repair works for Residential Schools in the jurisdiction of KREIS (Tender Indent No. 589, 588, 591, 590, 587, 585, 581, 586, 592, 593, 538/call-2, 196/call-5, 528/call-2, 529/call-2, 530/call-2, 560/call-2, 464/call-2, 458/call-2, 472/call-2, 540/call-2, 542/call-2, 532/call-2, 531/call-2, 537/call-2, 544/call-2, 478/call-2, 470/call-2, 461/call-2, 415/call-2, 418/call-2, 494/call-2 & 521/call-2)** through e-Portal vide website: **https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in** on **13.06.2025.** The last date for receipt of tenders is **27.06.2025.** The details may be viewed at above website.

Note: Any changes in term tender notification will not be published in dailies. It will be published in e-Procurement portal only.

Sd/- Executive Engineer-2
KREIS

DIPR/CP/YC/1239/2025-26

SOUTH WESTERN RAILWAY

APPLICATION NOTIFICATION NO.565/STBA/06/2025

The undersigned, on behalf of the President of India, invites sealed applications for Engagement of Station Ticket Booking Agents (STBA) at the following Railway Station over Bengaluru Division of South Western Railway for issuing of Unreserved/ General Tickets through Unreserved Ticket System (UTS) on commission basis for the period as mentioned against the station:

Sl No.	Name of the Station	Station Code	Station Category	Period of contract
1	Gollahalli	GHL	NSG-6	03 years
2	Nidvanda	NDV		
3	Dodbele	DBL		

Date and time of submission of application	From 10.00 hours to 15:00 hours of 15.07.2025
Date and time of opening of application	15:05 hours of 15.07.2025

For full details log on : **www.swr.indianrailways.gov.in**

PUB/180/AAD360/PRB/SWR/2025-26

Senior Divisional Commercial Manager, Bengaluru

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Indiranagar, Bengaluru - 560 038

Show Cause Notice

Notice is hereby given to the persons mentioned below that the proceedings for classification as fraud as per RBI Master Directions on Fraud – Classification and Reporting by Commercial Banks and select FI's dated July 01, 2016 ('Master Directions'), has been initiated and the Show Cause Notice issued by the Bank to the following persons have been returned un-served.

Name	Address	Designation
Shri Adil Iqbal	No.4, Stephens Road, Frazer Town, Bangalore – 560 005.	Borrower
Smt Zaiba Tanveer	No.4, Stephens Road, Frazer Town, Bangalore – 560 005.	Borrower
Smt Annapoorna A	No.5-117-1, 3rd Main, 2nd Cross, Kaverinagar, Kathriguppe, Banashankari 3rd Stage, Bangalore 560 085.	Borrower
Shri B Rajendra Kumar	Flat No 004, Ground Floor, RB Villa 3, 7th Cross, Anantha Nagar Phase 2, Electronic City Phase 2, Bangalore 560 100.	Borrower
Shri Karthik Vijayaraj	No 56, 2nd Cross, Club Road, TC Palya Main Road, Near Anandapura Auto Stand, Bangalore 560 036.	Borrower
Smt M Poornima	No 56, 2nd Cross, Club Road, TC Palya Main Road, Near Anandapura Auto Stand.Bangalore 560 036.	Borrower
Shri Dorai Raj	Door No 5/4, 63rd Cross, 6th Block, Rajajinagar, Bangalore 560 010.	Borrower
Smt Lakshmi	Door No 5/4, 63rd Cross, 6th Block, Rajajinagar, Bangalore 560 010.	Borrower
Smt Shruti Ray	No 001, Vaastu Hill View 1, No 275/2, H V Halli, Ideal Homes, Rajarajeshwari Nagar, Bangalore 560 098.	Borrower
Shri Karthik R	No 001, Vaastu Hill View 1, No 275/2, H V Halli, Ideal Homes, Rajarajeshwari Nagar, Bangalore 560 098.	Borrower
M/s MM Destiny Developers	203, Kalpana Pride Homes, 9th Cross, Kodihalli, Bangalore 560 008, Karnataka.	Builder
Smt Mrudhula Jogi	# B-1102, Miray & Rose Apartments, Sidddapura Village, Varthur Hal Airport Road, Bangalore-560 066	Managing Partner M/s MM Destiny Developers

The above persons, if they so desire, (a) may immediately collect the copy of the Show Cause Notice either in person or by duly authorized person by producing proof of identity, from the undersigned at the address as given above. (b) may Show Cause within 10 days from the date of publication of this notice as to why their name should not be classified as fraud in terms of Master Directions and subsequent action be taken.

Date: 13.06.2025

Sd/-, Ajay K Peter
Deputy General Manager

केनरा बैंक Canara Bank
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Head Office : Bangalore

E-AUCTION Sale of Properties on 30.06.2025

Last date of EMD : 27.06.2025

ARM – I Branch, 2nd Floor, No. 86, Spencers Tower, M.g. Road, Bangalore – 560001. Ph No. : 080 25310066. E-Mail – cb2366@canarabank.com

E-AUCTION SALE NOTICE

Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower (s) and Guarantor (s) that the below described imovable propeties mortgaged/charged to the Secured Creditor, the Physical/Symbolic possession of which has been taken by the Authorised Officer of **ARM Branch-1,** Bengaluru of the Canara Bank, will be sold on "As is where is", "As is what is", and "Whatever there is" on **30.06.2025** at **10:30 AM to 11:00 AM,** through E-Auction under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with proviso to Rule 8 (6) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002

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The Earnest Money shall be Deposited by way of E-Wallet of **M/s PSB Alliance Private Limited (https://baanknet.com/)** portal directly or by generating the Challan therein to deposit the EMD through RTGS/NEFT in the account details as mentioned in the said challan on or before **27.06.2025 5.00 pm.**

(Rs. in lacs)

Sl.No.	Name and address of the Borrower / Guarantor / Mortgagor	Description of the immovable assets	Total Dues Possession Type	a. Reserve Price b. EMD c. Incremental Bid	Inspection Date & Time
1.	**1.M/s Dodmane Poultry Farm. Prop : Mr Ravi Kumar S. C. S/o Late S N Chowdappa.** Shettyhalli village, Nambihalli post Srinivasapur Taluk-563 125, Kolar District. **2.Mr Ravi Kumar S C S/o Late S N Chowdappa . 3.Mr Narayanamurthy S C (Guarantor) S/o Late S N Chowdappa** Both 2 & 3 are residing at Shettihalli village, Srinivasapur Taluk, Kolar District -563125 .	Mortgage of commercial building site bearing old khatha no. 404/379, PID No. 17-1-2-129, Adj to Balaji Delux Lodge, M G Road, Ward No. 17, Chowdareddy Palya (Sonnashettyhalli), Chintamani Town, Chikkaballapur District-563125. **Total Extent of the Land 1742 Sq.ft Coordinates of the property Latitude- 13.400055N Longitude- 78.057610E**	**Rs. 3,88,73,852.76** as on **05.06.2025** with further interest and cost there on	**a) ₹ 277.30 b) ₹ 27.73 c) ₹ 1.00**	**16.06.2025 10.00 AM to 2.00 PM.** with Prior Appointment with The Authorized Officer

Known encumbrances, if any: Not to the knowledge of the Bank.

For detailed terms and conditions of the sale please refer the link "E-Auction" provided in Canara Bank's website (www.canarabank.com) or E-Wallet of M/s PSB Alliance Private Limited (https://baanknet.com/) portal and may contact ARM-1 Branch, Bengaluru, Canara Bank, Ph. No.08025310066, 6381952519, 9966397756, 8098415841 and 9039609346 during office hours on any working day.

Place: Bangalore
Date : 13.06.2025

Sd/- Authorized Officer,
Canara Bank

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दैनिक समाचार पत्रों में प्रकाशित Advertisement P.R. No- 352995 Received on 20.05.2025 (WRD/MID/GARHWA/B.D./S.L.I.-02/2025-26) मर्चवार सोलर उदवह सिंचाई योजना का निर्माण कार्य ग्राम– मर्चवार, पंचायत– नरही, प्रखण्ड–नगर उँटारी को अपरिहार्य कारणवश अगले आदेश तक रद्द किया जाता है।

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State seeks increase in fund devolution to 50%

₹1.15 lakh crore investment sought to strengthen Bengaluru's infrastructure, given its major role in the State's economy; Karnataka proposes giving more weight to States' economic contribution

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To overcome a stark imbalance in the devolution of funds to Karnataka from the Centre, Chief Minister Siddaramaiah on Friday demanded that the share of taxes devolved to States (vertical devolution) be increased to at least 50%, and cess and surcharges be capped at 5% in the 16th Finance Commission (FC).

He also sought support for ₹1.15 lakh crore investment to strengthen Bengaluru's infrastructure, given its major role in Karnataka's economy.

Money matters: Chief Minister Siddaramaiah with 16th Finance Commission Chairman Arvind Panagariya during a meeting in New Delhi on Friday.

Bridging regional gaps

During a meeting with the 16th FC Chairman Arvind Panagariya and panel members in New Delhi, the Chief Minister highlighted the need to bridge regional gaps in Kalyana Karnataka and Malnad, which earn low incomes and have poor infrastructure.

The State recommended including Union non-tax revenues in the divisible pool. For sharing funds among States (horizontal devolution), Karnataka suggested that each State retain about 60% of what it contributes, with 40% going to less-developed States, ensuring both growth and equity. To make the formula fairer, Karnataka has proposed reducing the weight of the income-distance criterion and giving more weight to a State's economic contribution, so that high-performing States are not penalised, but encouraged.

In its memorandum to the FC, Karnataka has called for critical reforms to make the fiscal devolution system more growth-oriented, predictable, and fair.

Three key issues

The State has highlighted three key issues such as the growing disparities in per-capita devolution, the flawed design of revenue deficit grants, and the unpredictable nature of State-specific grants.

The Chief Minister said that for every rupee Karnataka contributes to the Union taxes, it receives only 15 paise in return. The reduction in Karnataka's share under the 15th FC from 4.713% to 3.647% has resulted in a cumulative loss of over ₹80,000 crore during the award period.

Karnataka played a pivotal role in India's economic growth, contributing nearly 8.7% of the national GDP with just 5% of the population. It ranked second in GST collections, he said.

Big drop in devolution

Mr. Siddaramaiah said Karnataka's per capita devolution has dropped significantly, from 95% to 73% of the national average between the 14th and 15th Finance Commissions, despite increased GDP contribution.

While noting that equity remained a key principle, he said it must be implemented in a time-bound and outcome-oriented manner, without disadvantaging States that demonstrate strong economic performance and sound fiscal management. He said that the income-distance weightage should be reduced by 20% and the same should be reallocated to reflect the States' fiscal contribution, as measured by their share in the national GDP.

Mr. Siddaramaiah recommended replacing discretionary special grants with a formula-based allocation of 0.3% of gross Union receipts. However, he reiterated the request for grants for Bengaluru and other critical projects if the commission continues with such provisions.

The Chief Minister emphasised that growth and equity must coexist, and that a strong Karnataka supported by fair fiscal devolution was essential for a strong India. "Karnataka's fiscal strength fuels national growth. It is time to ensure that growth is not penalised but rewarded. We urge the commission to adopt a balanced, forward-looking approach to devolution," the Chief Minister said.

The FC's award period commences on April 1, 2026.

'108' Arogya Kavacha ambulances will now be run by Health Dept.

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BENGALURU

Strengthening emergency healthcare services in Karnataka, the State government has approved the proposal to bring the '108' Arogya Kavacha ambulance service under the direct management of the Health Department, ending its operation under private partnership. A Government Order (GO) to this effect was issued on Thursday.

This move is expected to significantly enhance the efficiency of the '108' ambulance service while saving nearly ₹250 crore for the State exchequer, Health Minister Dinesh Gundu Rao said in a post on X.

According to the GO, a central command and control centre will be established at the State level to manage a fleet of 715 ambulances. This system will be powered by the 112 NG-ERSS software. Additionally, '108' control centres will be established in every district, with the district health officers responsible for operational oversight. Ambulance drivers and nursing staff will be recruited on an outsourced basis at the district level. "We are beginning this transition in Chamarajanagar district, with a phased implementation across all districts to follow. Furthermore, beyond the '108' fleet, we plan to integrate over 1,000 additional State-owned ambulances under the unified '108 command centre for seamless emergency response," the Minister said.

The move is expected to significantly enhance the efficiency of the '108' ambulance service while saving nearly ₹250 crore for the State exchequer, Health Minister Dinesh Gundu Rao has said. FILE PHOTO

The State government also approved ₹185 crore for the Statewide implementation of the Gruha Arogya scheme.

Following its successful roll-out in Kolar district, the Health Department is now expanding the scheme across all districts, with inspection and preparatory work set to begin by the end of this month.

As part of the initiative, ASHA workers will visit households to raise awareness about non-communicable diseases (NCDs) and guide individuals aged 30 and above to undergo screenings at Ayushman Bharat Health and Wellness Centres. The community health officers will screen for 14 NCDs, including hypertension, diabetes, and various forms of cancer. Free medicines will be provided to those diagnosed.

From Page One

Vinay Kulkarni surrenders

Justice Karol's Bench had directed the Congress leader to surrender in a week. The CBI, the agency prosecuting the case, had approached the apex court for the cancellation of bail.

Mr. Goudar was murdered in his gym in Dharwad in June 2016.

The CBI had taken over the probe in September 2019 and filed a charge sheet months later in May 2020. Eight people were identified and arrested in the case.

The Central agency arrested Mr. Kulkarni in November 2020 in the case, and a supplementary charge sheet was filed in the CBI Court in February 2021.

Chief Minister urges Centre to urgently procure mangoes

The Hindu Bureau
BENGALURU

Chief Minister Siddaramaiah has appealed to the Centre to take urgent steps to help mango farmers of the State, as fruit prices have dropped sharply this season, causing financial loss to growers. Mango prices have plummeted from ₹12,000 a quintal to ₹3,000, he said.

In a letter to Union Minister for Agriculture Shivraj Singh Chouhan, Mr. Siddaramaiah, who was Delhi on Friday, requested the Centre to start a price deficiency payment and market intervention scheme, and start immediate procurement though Central agencies, such as NAFED and NCCF, to support farmers and stop further distress in rural areas.

He urged the Union Minister to issue directions to Central agencies to begin buying mangoes at fair prices to make sure farmers get at least their basic cost. "This support will save farmers from facing more financial losses, and protect their income during this hard time."

"Mango is one of the major horticultural crops in Karnataka, cultivated over an area of 1.39 lakh hectares, particularly in Bengaluru Rural, Bengaluru Urban, Chickballapur, Kolar, and Bengaluru South (Ramanagara) districts, with an estimated production of eight to 10 lakh tonnes during the rabi season," he wrote.

The Chief Minister said, "During the peak harvest season of May to July, heavy market arrivals have led to unsustainable price fluctuations. Market prices, which earlier hovered around ₹12,000 a quintal, have plummeted to as low as ₹3,000 a quintal, while the Karnataka State Agricultural Price Commission has calculated the cost of cultivation as ₹5,466 a quintal. This sharp mismatch between production cost and market realisation has placed the farming community under acute financial stress."

Vokkaligara sangha hails withdrawal of 2015 survey report

The Hindu Bureau
BENGALURU

OBC federation, however, criticises government decision

A day after Chief Minister Siddaramaiah announced another socio-economic and educational survey (caste census) of Karnataka's population for the purpose of providing reservation to the backward classes, there were contrasting reactions from caste groups.

The Rajya Vokkaligara Sangha, at a press conference, welcomed the setting aside of the controversial 2015 survey report, while the Karnataka State Backward Classes Federation criticised the decision. Earlier, the All-India Veerashaiva Mahasabha had welcomed discarding the 2015 survey report and said it would extend cooperation if the government conducts a fresh one.

However, while welcoming the discarding of the old survey, Vokkaligara sangha president Kenchappa Gowda questioned the need for a new one. "When the Union government has announced collecting caste data as part of the general census, what is the need for us to have another one? The new one has been announced for political compulsion," he argued. He said the sangha is considering holding a survey of the Vokkaliga community that would include the collection of information such as land holding, education, occupation, and income. "The matter will be placed for discussion before a committee on June 18."

However, general secretary of the federation Yennegere R. Venkataramaiah said it was a "disappointing development" that the old survey report had been kept aside. "This is a contradictory policy after announcing that it will be accepted. Dominant communities have always bulldozed the backward classes, and it has happened again," he said, adding that the full survey report should be made public. On the new survey to be conducted, Mr. Venkataramaiah said Aadhaar or ration card has to be linked to individuals to prevent anyone from casting aspersions on the survey.

15 of the 33 DCRE police stations functional

The Hindu Bureau
BENGALURU

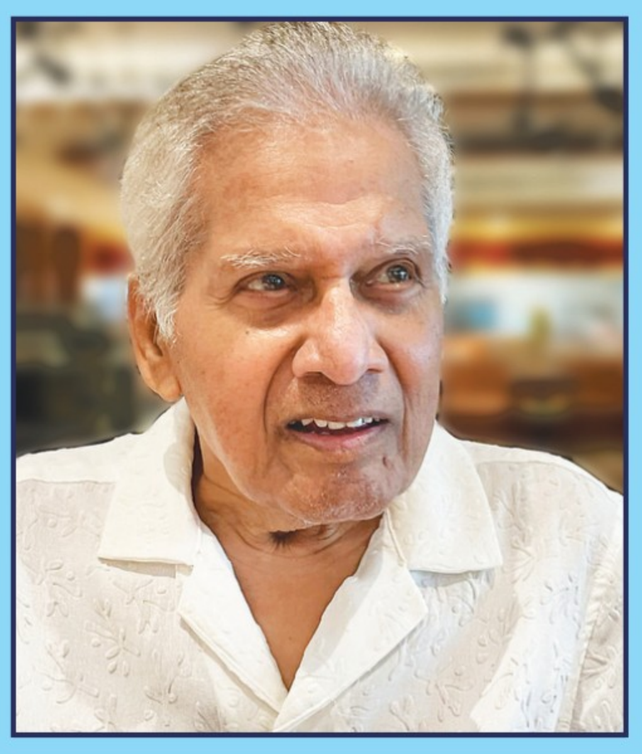
The government had notified 33 units of the Directorate of Civil Rights Enforcement (DCRE) across the State as police stations, giving them the rights to register FIRs and conduct investigations in 2024.

Of them, only 15 have become functional, as of date. M.A. Saleem, DG&IGP, on Thursday issued a circular asking all police units where the DCRE stations have become functional to transfer cases registered under the Scheduled Caste and Scheduled Tribes (Prevention of Atrocities) Act, 1989, in local police stations to these stations for investigation.

OBITUARY & REMEMBRANCE

DEATH

SAD DEMISE



Shri. Venugopal Narayanaswamy
(DOB: 11 July 1943 - DOD: 3 June 2025)

"It is with profound sadness that we announce the passing of my beloved husband, Venugopal Narayanaswamy, on **June 3rd 2025. H**is passing leaves a void in our lives, and we deeply miss his infectious laugh and zest for life.

He was a man who savored every moment, with a passion for good food and the finer things in life. His warmth and kindness earned him countless friends, old and new, who rallied around him in his time of need. We're touched by the outpouring of love and support from those who knew him.

We would like to extend our heartfelt gratitude to the following individuals and teams for their kindness, care, and support during his illness:-

- **The dedicated medical team at VSH Hospital**
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- **The Lufthansa team for their assistance**
- **The ambulance crew for their prompt and professional service**
- **Our caregivers for their compassionate care**
- **Duncan and our Coimbatore neighbours for their support and kindness**
- **The cab drivers for their safe and courteous transportation**

May his memory be a blessing to all who knew him, and may we find comfort in the countless memories we shared with him.

Forever in our hearts

Wife Yeshoda, Aswatha and Step Daughter Shirin S,

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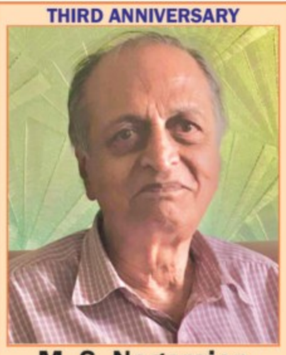
THIRD ANNIVERSARY



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Respond on plea for safe screening of *Thug Life*: SC

Petitioner alleges that ban to screen Kamal Haasan's movie in Karnataka stems not from lawful process but from a deliberate campaign of terror, including threat of arson against cinemas

The Hindu Bureau
NEW DELHI

The Supreme Court on Friday sought the State of Karnataka to respond to a petition seeking to ensure the safe and unimpeded screening of Kamal Haasan's Tamil movie *Thug Life* in the State.

A Vacation Bench headed by Justice P.K. Mishra was also asked by petitioner, M. Mahesh Reddy, represented by advocate Athenam Velan, to take action against elements who have issued threats and incited violence against theatres and the makers of the film.

Issuing notice to the State, the court scheduled the case on Tuesday.

The Bench recorded Mr. Velan's submission that a duly Central Bureau of Film Certification-cleared Tamil feature film was not allowed to be screened in theatres in Karnataka.

Members of the Karnataka Rakshana Vedike stage a protest against actor Kamal Haasan for his remarks on Kannada. FILE PHOTO

"The so-called ban under threat of violence stems not from any lawful process but from a deliberate campaign of terror, including explicit threat of arson against cinema halls, incitement of large-scale violence targeting linguistic minorities," Mr. Velan argued.

Earlier this week, the petitioner, a Bengaluru resident, had sought urgent listing, saying "fringe elements" were threatening arson against theatres which screen the film.

Mr. Velan had said the move to appeal the Supreme Court was necessitated by the fact that the Karnataka High Court had "distressingly appeared to prioritise appeasement" in proceedings seeking the judicial protection of the fundamental right to free speech and expression.

"Instead of a clear directive to the State to stop the illegal threats and protect a certified film's exhibition - fundamental to restoring law and order - the discussion reportedly focused on whether Mr. Kamal Haasan should apologise to the very fringe elements intimidating him and threatening public order ...," the petition had submitted.

Discretion is the best part of valour, HC tells filmmaker

The Hindu Bureau
BENGALURU

The High Court of Karnataka on Friday asked actor Kamal Haasan's Raajkamal Films International (RKFI), Chennai, to file its statement of objections, if any, against the applications filed by the Kannada Sahitya Parishat (KSP) and an advocate, who want to be part of proceedings in its petition seeking protection for the release of the Tamil film *Thug Life* in Karnataka.

Justice M. Nagaprasanna passed the order while adjourning further hearing till June 20 on the petition, filed by the RKFI, which had also sought a direction to retrain the Karnataka Film Chamber of Commerce (KFCC) from issuing any instruction in relation to banning release and distribution of *Thug Life* in Karnataka as the KFCC had demanded an apology from Mr. Haasan for his controversial statement that "Kannada is born out of Tamil". Mr. Haasan is one of the directors of the RKFI.

'Stupid statement'

Earlier, Senior Advocate S. Basavaraj, who appeared for the KSP, termed as a "stupid statement" the actor's remark on Kannada, while placing some books before the court on historical background of the language.

Mr. Basavaraj also questioned how a person, who set his house on fire can seek the help from the court to douse the blaze, while pointing out that opposition for the release the film was a result of his statement on Kannada without any basis.

"Again, I am repeating, discretion is the best part of valour," the judge orally told the petitioner's advocate while adjourning the hearing, to which the petitioner's advocate said he would convey it to the petitioner.

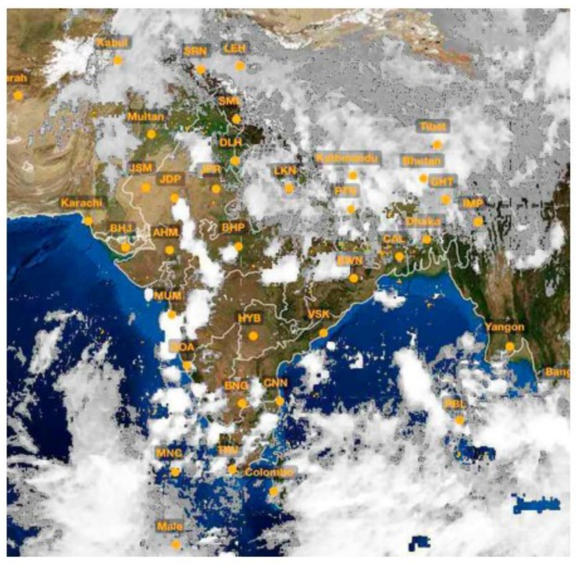
Earlier observations

During an earlier hearing on June 3, the court had said it was "of the *prima facie* opinion that, if a sentence of apology had been included while concluding the communication [from Mr. Haasan to the KFCC], it would have concluded/ended all controversy and the unrest or disharmony in the State of Karnataka" on release of the film.

Also, the court on June 5 adjourned the hearing as the petitioner's advocate had said the screening of the movie would not be insisted upon till the dialogue/trialogue with the KFCC to resolve the issue after Mr. Haasan chose not to go by the suggestion made by the court to apologise to put an end to the controversy.

WEATHERWATCH

Rainfall, temperature & air quality in select metros yesterday



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Forecast for Saturday: Heavy/very heavy rainfall likely at isolated places over Assam, Meghalaya, Nagaland, Mizoram and Tripura, Sikkim, Odisha, Telangana, Andhra Pradesh, Maharashtra, Konkan & Goa, Karnataka, Tamil Nadu, Puducherry, Karaikal, Kerala and Mahe

CITY	RAIN	MAX	MIN	CITY	RAIN	MAX	MIN
Agartala	3	35.6	26.2	Kozhikode	25	30.6	25.0
Ahmedabad	—	40.6	29.8	Kurnool	—	34.0	26.0
Aizawl	6.6	33.6	22.4	Lucknow	—	41.9	30.5
Allahabad	—	43.8	31.9	Madurai	—	38.3	26.1
Bengaluru	—	27.5	21.2	Mangaluru	34.9	27.2	23.4
Bhopal	—	40.0	28.6	Mumbai	6	31.2	25.4
Bhubaneswar	1.9	35.5	26.0	Mysuru	—	30.0	21.0
Chandigarh	—	39.6	32.7	New Delhi	—	41.2	31.0
Chennai	—	37.9	26.4	Patna	—	40.4	31.6
Coimbatore	0.9	28.7	23.2	Port Blair	57	29.5	23.6
Dehradun	5	34.5	21.8	Puducherry	—	36.3	26.4
Gangtok	9	27.8	18.8	Pune	22.8	32.9	23.5
Goa	91	27.5	23.5	Raipur	—	39.6	27.7
Guwahati	—	37.2	26.8	Ranchi	—	35.0	24.3
Hubballi	—	29.0	24.0	Shillong	0.2	28.1	18.8
Hyderabad	—	32.0	23.0	Shimla	—	31.0	23.8
Imphal	—	34.2	26.7	Srinagar	—	32.4	19.0
Jaipur	—	44.5	33.6	Thiruvananthapuram	27	29.2	24.6
Kochi	12	28.8	24.8	Tiruchi	—	36.9	27.0
Kohima	—	31.0	—	Vijayawada	—	35.4	27.4
Kolkata	—	37.0	28.5	Visakhapatnam	2	34.1	27.6

(Rainfall data in mm; temperature in Celsius)

Pollutants in the air you are breathing

CITIES	SO_2	NO_2	CO	PM2.5	PM10	CODE
Ahmedabad	..—	..75	107	...262	...176	
Bengaluru	...9	..29	.33	60	77	
Chennai	.15	..26	.68	50	73	
Delhi	.18	..59	.32	...171	...255	
Hyderabad	...7	..13	.23	...109	...113	
Kolkata	...3	..61	.18	53	52	
Lucknow	.10	..21	.57	...155	...125	
Mumbai	.41	..16	.51	26	68	
Pune	.13	..—	.88	78	73	
Visakhapatnam	.10	..60	.20	76	93	

Yesterday

In observation made at 4.00 p.m., Greater Noida, Uttar Pradesh recorded an overall air quality index (AQI) score of 211 indicating an unhealthy level of pollution. In contrast, Madikeri, Karnataka recorded a healthy AQI score of 12

Air Quality Code: Poor | Moderate | Good (Readings indicate average AQI)

SO_2: Sulphur Dioxide. Short-term exposure can harm the respiratory system, making breathing difficult. It can affect visibility by reacting with other air particles to form haze and stain culturally important objects such as statues and monuments.

NO_2: Nitrogen Dioxide. Aggravates respiratory illness, causes haze to form by reacting with other air particles, causes acid rain, pollutes coastal waters.

CO: Carbon monoxide. High concentration in air reduces oxygen supply to critical organs like the heart and brain. At very high levels, it can cause dizziness, confusion, unconsciousness and even death.

PM2.5 & PM10: Particulate matter pollution can cause irritation of the eyes, nose and throat, coughing, chest tightness and shortness of breath, reduced lung function, irregular heartbeat, asthma attacks, heart attacks and premature death in people with heart or lung disease

Kerala government suspends official over derogatory remarks on plane crash victim

The Hindu Bureau
THIRUVANANTHAPURAM

The Kerala government on Friday suspended a Revenue department official on the charge of making derogatory remarks against Ranjitha Gopakumaran Nair, the Malayali nurse who died in the Ahmedabad plane crash on Thursday.

In a statement, Revenue Minister K. Rajan said that social media posts by A. Pavithran, a junior superintendent attached to the Vellarikundu taluk office in Kasaragod district, were "mean, spiteful, and cruel." He promised immediate disciplinary action.

Consequently, Kasaragod Collector K. Inbasekar suspended Mr. Pavithran on Mr. Rajan's orders, pending inquiry.

Mr. Pavithran's post about the single mother who died in the mishap while returning to her workplace in London after a brief holiday with her two young daughters and ailing mother caused an outpouring of public outrage, which resonated across the conventional and social media.

A preliminary government inquiry found Mr. Pavithran had slandered Ranjitha on casteist lines and also demeaned the latter in prurient terms.

Health Minister Veena George, who called on Ranjitha's mother in Pathanamthitta, expressed shock at the condemnable social media posts and promised immediate action.

Mr. Pavithran later apologised and withdrew the controversial posts.

INBRIEF

Formula-E case: ACB issues fresh notice to KTR

The Telangana Anti-Corruption Bureau (ACB) has issued a fresh notice to Bharat Rashtra Samithi working president and former IT Minister K.T. Rama Rao in connection with the alleged Formula-E financial irregularities. He has been asked to appear before the bureau at 10 a.m. on June 16. This is the second time the BRS leader has been summoned in the case. The ACB had served notices to Mr. Rama Rao on May 26, asking him to appear for questioning on May 28. However, it was postponed at his request due to his pre-scheduled trip abroad.

Navy evacuates sailor aboard Singapore-flagged oil tanker

An Indian sailor in medical distress aboard a Singapore-flagged oil tanker from Veracruz was evacuated from the vessel by the Indian Navy on Friday despite poor visibility and no landing spot on the ship, a defence statement said. It said that an alert message was received from the Information Fusion Centre of the Indian Ocean Region. "On receipt of the information, the Navy's Seaking helicopter from INS Garuda, Kochi, was immediately launched. On arrival at INS Garuda, the patient was safely transferred to a hospital for treatment," the statement said. PTI

2 Nigerian nationals, 3 others held in Hyderabad drug bust

The Telangana Anti-Narcotics Bureau and Golconda police arrested five drug peddlers, including two Nigerian nationals, and seized cocaine, ecstasy pills, and MDMA on Friday. The raid was done at a residence in Vinayak Nagar, Shaikpet. "All five had earlier served time in Chanchalguda Central Prison, where they met. Upon their release, they resumed drug trafficking by leveraging contacts across Mumbai, Goa and Bengaluru," said an officer. All five are reportedly part of a distribution chain catering to more than 25 consumers in Hyderabad.

Nandi Hills is gearing up to host Karnataka Cabinet meet on June 19

Jahnavi T.R.
CHICKBALLAPUR

From its foot to the top, Nandi Hills, one of Bengalureans' favourite getaway destinations, is abuzz with civic work, pruning of trees, beautification of surroundings, and much more, as it gets ready to host the Karnataka Cabinet meeting on June 19.

On Friday, representatives of several departments were busy working on the hill when *The Hindu* visited the spot. A team belonging to the Public Works Department was carrying out the shouldering work on the road leading to the hill. Horticulture Department workers had brought natural lawns to lay in front of a restaurant. They were also arranging ornamental plants brought from the nursery at Lalbagh.

Nandi Hills in Chickballapur district is getting a significant facelift ahead of the Cabinet meeting, which will be held in a hall (below) of the KSTDC's Mayura Pine Top restaurant. K. MURALI KUMAR

Monkey trouble

"After the Cabinet meeting that was conducted on the Male Mahadeshwara Hills, it is now the turn of Nandi Hills to host the State Cabinet. We have also requested the Forest Department to control the large number of monkeys around here without disturbing them," said a Horticulture Department official.

In 1986, the second SAARC summit, which was attended by the then Prime Minister late Rajiv Gandhi, was held at Nehru Nilaya on Nandi Hills. Controlling monkeys back then was also a Herculean task.

The Cabinet meeting on June 19 will be conducted in the Karnataka State Tourism Development Corporation's (KSTDC) Mayura Pine Top restaurant. The restaurant is getting a complete makeover as everything from the washrooms to the air conditioning systems were being fixed on Friday.

"We are upgrading our basic infrastructure. This will be a milestone for the KSTDC as we will be hosting the State Cabinet meeting on our property. We are even increasing the bandwidth of our Wi-Fi to ensure uninterrupted live streaming for media and for any other official work," said Manoj Kumar, manager of Mayura Pine Top.

The hall that is being prepared for the meeting will be occupied by Ministers, while separate locations will be provided for officers on special duty, personal assistants, and others. The hall on the ground floor of the restaurant offers an uninterrupted view of the Chickballapur town.

Demands of the district

With the Cabinet meeting being hosted in Chickballapur, there is a lot of expectations about big announcements for the district.

MLA for Chickballapur Pradeep Eshwar, who had come to oversee the preparations on Nandi Hills on Friday, told *The Hindu* that decisions on many major projects of the district would be taken at the meeting. "As we are famous for flowers and vegetables, we had requested that the international flower market should not be set up in a public-private partnership. The government has agreed to invest the full amount of ₹150 crore for it, and it will mostly be announced on that day. We have also requested that the storage capacity of Jakkalamadagu reservoir be increased to ensure adequate water supply during summer months," Mr. Eshwar said.

Hopes of ropeway

He also said the government might take a call on proposing the Bhoga Nandishwara temple as a UNESCO World Heritage site to attract more foreign tourists to the district. "While we think that something related to the Yettinahole project will be announced, the final approval for the Nandi ropeway project will definitely be given," the MLA said.

Nandi Hills has been closed for the public from 6 p.m. on June 16 to 5 a.m. on June 20 in view of the Cabinet meeting.

Personnel of the Special Action Force during its launch in Mangaluru on Friday. H.S. MANJUNATH

'SAF will restore communal harmony'

The Hindu Bureau
MANGALURU

Home Minister G. Parameshwara, who launched the Special Action Force (SAF) here on Friday, said that its sole purpose was to restore communal harmony in Dakshina Kannada, Udupi, and Shivamogga districts.

The SAF would act against those persons who disturbed communal harmony in these disricts, he said and added that such a force had been constituted in the country probably for the first time.

As many as 248 personnel have been drawn from the Anti-Naxal Force to create SAF. An SAF unit, each comprising of 78 personnel, would be deployed in the three districts.

The SAF will now be headed by the Deputy Inspector-General C.H. Sudheer Kumar Reddy, who is Mangaluru Police Commissioner, and it will work in coordination with the Inspector-General of Police (Western Range) Amith Singh.

"Earlier, we (the government) spoke mildly (on the communal violence in the region). Following the recent incidents (a mob lynching and two communal murders in Dakshina Kannada), we decided to use force (in the form of SAF) to tackle the communally related issues," the Home Minister said.

The government was confident that the SAF would deal effectively with persons who indulged in communal violence, made hate speeches and spread hatred through social media posts, he said. The SAF personnel were well versed in intelligence gathering, he added.

Intelligence gathering

In the last a decade, Dr. Parameshwara said, there had been many communal clashes and murders in the three districts. The SAF personnel would gather intelligence and they had been empowered to act against persons who created communal disharmony.

"The SAF will operate in the three districts and their numbers might increase, if need be. If necessary, SAF units can be set up in other parts of the State," he said. "I hope this force will not be needed to operate for a long period," he added.

"As the personnel have been drawn from the ANF, all privileges and service benefits given to the ANF personnel will be given to SAF personnel," the Home Minister added.

District in-charge Minister Dinesh Gundu Rao, Ivan D'Souza and Manjunath Bhandary, MLCs, Director-General and Inspector-General of Police M.A. Saleem, Additional Director General of Police (Communication, Logistics and Modernisation) S. Murugan, were present.

Crash and burn

India's aviation sector needs to address safety concerns

The first hull loss of the 'Dreamliner', one of aviation's most advanced twin-aisle aircraft, is one that is unsettling, more so when there have been recent examples of survivability in modern widebody jets. The tragic end to Air India flight AI171, on June 12 – there was one surviving passenger – just minutes after its liftoff from Ahmedabad for London Gatwick, and it touched a recorded barometric altitude of 625 feet, will be under much global scrutiny. That the crew were faced with a sudden and sharp turn of events on the 11-plus-year-old Boeing 787-8, a plane with ample avionics redundancy, and reliable twin engines – the GEnx-1B67, rated at 67,000 lbs of thrust each – has led to much speculation about the cause. Experts have suggested reasons such as issues with load planning, ambient air temperature and engine performance, wing surface settings, and even a bird hit. Inducted by Air India during its government-owned days, as part of a 68-aircraft deal signed with Boeing in 2006, the subfleet of 787-8s has played a role in its medium to long-haul network expansion to Europe, the Far East and Australia. The plane's global safety record has been strong in general, but it has also been an aircraft type that has raised some concerns. These have included assembly-line quality control, 'whistle-blower' statements, engine icing problems that resulted in a safety directive, a lithium aerospace battery-related electrical system issue that led to extensive world-wide groundings, an emergency locator transmitter battery fire that caused heat damage, and, in 2024, an in-flight upset that was linked to a feature in the flight deck crew seat.

All eyes will be on how the airline's new owner, Tata Sons (with a 25.1% shareholding by Singapore Airlines Limited), steers its operations and addresses safety concerns after an 'unprecedented' four-airline merger. The group is in the middle of executing Vihaan.AI, the airline's 'transformational roadmap over five years', with the appointment of a 'head of group safety, security and quality' integral to this. In parallel, the airline has also faced scrutiny by India's civil aviation regulatory body, the Directorate General of Civil Aviation. With a formal investigation, that includes international participation, having been initiated, in keeping with aviation protocols, the complexities that a first-time 787 crash analysis could throw up should be ironed out. At the 81st International Air Transport Association annual general meeting and World Air Transport Summit in New Delhi last week, India was recognised to be one of the largest aviation markets. However, its rapidly expanding aviation sector needs to address the challenges, which include safety, on the ground and in the air.

Rogue nation

Israel has pushed West Asia into a security abyss

Israel's strikes on Iran's nuclear facilities, at a time when Washington and Tehran were in talks, are brazenly illegal, reckless and dangerous. If there was any possibility of resolving the nuclear issue through dialogue, Israel has practically killed it. That Donald Trump, despite his repeated warnings, failed to stop America's closest ally from launching the attacks – threatening his own diplomatic push – suggests that the U.S. President was either not serious about his words or had limited influence. Israel's overnight attack targeted the Natanz nuclear enrichment facility, ballistic missile factories and the residences of Iran's top nuclear scientists and military chain of command. In retaliation, Iran launched a drone attack, with most shot down. Supreme Leader Ayatollah Khamenei has promised a harsh response. If Iran launches ballistic missiles, which seems likely, Israel would carry out more attacks, as Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu has indicated. So what possibly awaits West Asia are prolonged attacks and counterattacks, with potential regional spillover effects.

There are legitimate concerns about Iran's nuclear programme. It has enriched uranium to 60% purity, way above the grade for civilian purposes. Israel says Iran was making attempts to build a bomb in secret. While the IAEA says Iran has enough highly enriched uranium to make bombs, there is no conclusive evidence to suggest that Iran has moved in this direction. Tehran once agreed to scuttle its nuclear programme in return for the lifting of sanctions as part of the multilateral agreement in 2015, but it was Mr. Trump who sabotaged the agreement. And when Mr. Trump, in his second term, offered dialogue, the Iranians seized it. But what Iran got instead was an attack on its nuclear plants. Israel did this as it knew it could get away with any form of aggression, thanks to the U.S.'s military, political and diplomatic support. Israel has behaved like a rogue nation ever since the October 7 attack by Hamas. It is facing allegations of committing genocide after its destruction in Gaza that has killed over 54,000 Palestinians. It routinely bombs Lebanon despite a ceasefire with Hezbollah. It has carved up more territories in Syria after the collapse of the Assad regime. And now, by attacking Iran, Tel Aviv has pushed West Asia into a deeper security abyss. Israel's unchecked militarism is closing the space for diplomacy in a tumultuous region. If the conflict spills over into the Gulf waters and kingdoms, it would be catastrophic for the global economy, especially for India whose millions of citizens work and live in the region. There must be an immediate, coordinated international effort to rein in the Jewish state and reboot diplomacy to restore stability in West Asia.

The rot starts at the top of the aviation ladder

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There is a version of Murphy's law which says that "if there is a possibility of several things going wrong, the one that will cause the most damage will be the one to go wrong".

The fiery end to Air India flight AI171 at Ahmedabad, Gujarat, on June 12, 2025, just after its departure for London Gatwick, is a rude wake-up call – one that has been sounded for several years. But the Ministry of Civil Aviation (MoCA), the judiciary, the statutory body the Directorate General of Civil Aviation (DGCA), the Airports Authority of India (AAI) and all airlines in India have been turning a blind eye to the need to ensuring stringent training and safety standards. Sound bites such as the one about India being the fastest growing aviation system have all come to nothing due to years of corruption and political manipulation in the system. A major failure in India is the complete lack of accountability. Other than pilots being blamed, no one else has been held accountable. The rot starts at the top of the aviation ladder.

Downward slide

After every major crash, beginning with the Indian Airlines Airbus A320 crash (IC605) in Bangalore on February 14, 1990, followed by an Alliance Air Boeing 737 crash (CD7412) at Patna on July 17, 2000, an Air India Express crash (IX-812) in Mangaluru on May 22, 2010 and another Air India Express crash at Kozhikode (IX1344) on August 7, 2020, the aviation authorities have been lulled into complacency. The crash of the Air India Boeing 787 at Ahmedabad is another accident in the chain. Meanwhile, the same set of people continue to be at their desks even as safety and training have been on a downward slide over the years. The lack of accountability and the inaction have cost the lives of hundreds of passengers.

Take the case of the Union Minister of Civil Aviation. After every crash, the first statement made is to defend the safety standards of airports in India even when there are blatant violations of International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO) standards. It is no exaggeration to say that accident investigators are picked and chosen on the basis of who will toe the line and place the blame squarely on pilots. There have been violations in the Ahmedabad accident. We have had the DGCA issuing a statement that is in clear violation of ICAO standards – naming the pilots who were involved in the crash. No other country would mention the names of the crew even in the final report. We need professionals to head the DGCA and the AAI, and not bureaucrats and persons who seek publicity in these crucial organisations and positions. India has one of the weakest judicial systems as far as aviation safety is concerned. After the crash in Mangaluru, a public interest litigation was filed that listed irrefutable data and safety violations by the MoCA, the DGCA, the AAI and Air India. A Bench of the Supreme Court of India swept this aside by passing on the case file to the MoCA to check whether this was a valid case.

The air crash in Ahmedabad is a wake-up call, and aviation officials and airlines in India need to ensure stringent training and safe flight operations

This was a move that hammered the last nail in the coffin of aviation safety. Apart from the last crash, at Kozhikode, there have been so many accidents and serious incidents, but things carry on without any accountability. The loss of over 300 lives in Ahmedabad (the passengers and also local residents) should shake the people in the system who are in slumber. Even the Pakistan Supreme Court comes down very hard on its aviation regulator and airlines.

Reading the visual evidence

The video recordings and images of the Ahmedabad accident that are out on social media are the only sources of information available at this moment. The take-off captured on CCTV at Ahmedabad airport has led to more information. There is much speculation about the flaps of the aircraft not having been configured for take-off. All modern Boeing aircraft, which includes the Boeing 787, have take-off configuration warnings and no pilot would attempt a take-off if all conditions are not met. There is also much commentary floating around about this flight having taken off from an intersection. Data from a leading flight data provider clearly shows that the crew used the full length of the runway, from the beginning. The initial part of the CCTV footage from the airport clearly shows the growth of a fair amount of grass along the sides of the runway. The southwest monsoon has arrived, but monsoon preparation mandates the mowing of grass at airports to less than three inches before the rains arrive. This will aid in reducing insects and worms which would otherwise attract bird life. Ahmedabad has a history of bird menace in the airport area.

The initial take-off acceleration of the Air India plane appears normal until lift off. Going by the statement of the sole passenger/survivor and also a video grab quoting a person during a television interview, a loud thud has been reported about 30 seconds after lift off. It is quite possible that birds flying close to the runway in search of worms and insects may have got sucked into the powerful aircraft engines and caused a compressor stall at the point of rotation. The lift off and initial climb appear shallow before the nose is raised high. But the climb rate is very shallow due to possible partial thrust loss as a result of bird ingestion in both engines. Thereafter, the nose is raised and the aircraft appears to descend slowly with a high nose angle. The aircraft appears to have stalled and the impact on the building with the tail section intact, points to a stall. The Digital Flight Data Recorder and Cockpit Voice Recorder will give us the clear picture.

The second reason that may have caused the partial thrust loss could be Foreign Object Damage such as what happened to the Air France Concorde flight (AF4590) on July 25, 2000 while on a flight from Charles De Gaulle airport in Paris to New York. The crash was caused by a metallic strip that had fallen from a flight that had taken off minutes earlier. It was lying on the runway and punctured the wheel of the Air France plane. Fragments from the exploding tyre hit the fuel tank, causing a leak and fire. All lives were lost with some fatalities on the ground. It would be worthwhile checking whether something similar happened to the Air India flight. The most intriguing part of the video is of the aircraft's landing gear extended throughout the climb till the final moments. If there had been bird ingestions in both engines, the loud noise may have been due to a compressor stall, which could have created what is called the startle effect.

The DGCA's statement which mentions the names of the pilots and their experience levels, also says that the captain was line training captain. Was this a training flight? And was the copilot at the controls? In such a situation, the change of controls and the partial loss of thrust could have been overwhelming and may have been a reason for the crew to miss landing gear retraction. If the gears had been raised, the drag would have not been present and the aircraft would have had a better climb gradient to clear the obstacles on the ground.

Focus areas in the investigation

With global aviation bodies such as the National Transportation Safety Board from the United States, and the Air Accidents Investigation Branch from the United Kingdom now a part of the crash investigation, the officials should also look at obstacles in the take-off funnel. The building which the aircraft crashed into was multi-storied (one plus five floors, according to a report). Having a seventy-foot structure so close to the take-off path should be investigated. This should also be a lesson for authorities in India not to issue no objection certifications for construction activity by caving in to political pressure.

Whether we will learn lessons from this tragedy is the big question.

Endgame of a 2,611-year-old Jewish-Persian enmity

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Despite mutual loathing, Israeli Prime Minister Benyamin Netanyahu and Iranian Supreme Leader Ayatollah Ali Khamenei agreed yesterday about the primordial significance of their latest conflict. While Mr. Netanyahu called it "a decisive moment in Israel's history", Khamenei was equally definitive in his verdict: "With this crime, the Zionist regime sealed for itself a bitter and painful destiny."

Inflection point

Indeed, June 13, 2025, when Israel launched its "Rising Lion" operation to obliterate Iran's nuclear and missile threat, is to go down as an important inflection point in the epochal legacy of Jewish-Persian conflict dating back to 586 BCE when the Babylonian King Nebuchadnezzar II destroyed the first Jewish temple and obliterated the Kingdom of Judah. The current unfolding Israeli campaign leverages the gains from 21 months of war against Iran and its proxies by waging a short-but-intense technology-and-intelligence-driven blitzkrieg. It began with a multi-pronged, well-coordinated attack on Iran's hard and soft strategic infrastructure, hitting the nuclear, missile and human assets. More than 200 Israeli air force jets attacked over 100 targets. Among the high-value targets assassinated were the chief of staff of the Armed Forces, the commanders of the Revolutionary Guards and Emergency Command as well as six nuclear scientists.

The campaign was well prepared for by both Israel and its friends, many of whom cornered Iran. Since the October 7, 2023 attack by Hamas, Israel has systematically pulverised Iranian proxies. Further, the ouster of the pro-Iran al-Assad regime in Syria denied Iran the first line of defence facing Israel. Provocative assassinations on Iranian soil pushed Iran into launching missile attacks on Israel, triggering Israeli retaliations against Iranian air defences. Israel also beefed up its multilayered air defence capabilities and acquired offensive assets needed to attack Iran's well-defended underground nuclear facilities.

Israel's operations against Iran were limited to eliminating Tehran's strategic capabilities, but may have unforeseen consequences in the region and beyond

While the United States and other friends of Israel have called for a diplomatic solution, the circumstantial evidence suggests the contrary. Trump 1.0 tore up the nuclear agreement in 2018, instead applying "maximum pressure" on Iran, which was tightened further during Donald Trump's second term. Saudi Arabia was pressed to unwind OPEC+ oil production curbs to create a global oil glut to curb Iran's clandestine oil export revenues. America launched heavy air attacks on al-Houthis, forcing them to abandon their maritime disruption campaign. Additionally, on June 12, the western countries got the International Atomic Energy Agency's Board of Governors to adopt a resolution condemning Iran for violating its nuclear commitments. The passage of this resolution a day before Israeli military action was perhaps intended to provide legal cover for the latter. The recent and sudden U.S. overtures towards Islamabad can also be explained by the need to harness Pakistan, Iran's largest neighbour with the longest common border.

Arab world's apprehensions

The largely Sunni Arab world has mixed feelings about the Israel-Iran hostilities. It has little love lost for either of them but is deeply apprehensive about any blowback from Iran or its proxies. This may come in several ways, such as disrupting the oil flow through the Strait of Hormuz through which a fifth of global oil supplies pass daily, attacks against high visibility strategic targets, and inciting Shia minorities against Sunni regimes. The regional instability may also revive their terrorist campaigns by non-state actors such as ISIS and al-Qaeda.

Though the day-old Israeli operations are limited to eliminating Iranian strategic capabilities, they may have unforeseen consequences in the region and beyond. It would depend on whether Israel can accomplish its objectives surgically without either backlash or collateral damage, such as radioactivity and contamination. Iran may be able to withstand the onslaught and live to fight another day. This would not only run counter to Israeli strategy for a short, surgical strike but also force hitherto uncommitted Iranian masses to stand along the beleaguered regime facing an external threat. The unilateral adventurism against Iran further isolates Israel from the Third World. In case the hostilities protract over a long period, the costs would add to the global economy's existing travails due to other regional conflicts and tariff wars. The resultant higher inflation due to an oil price surge, lower growth, disrupted supply chains and stock market mayhem may burden us all. It belies Donald Trump's boast about him stopping the "endless wars" that other U.S. Presidents unleashed.

Looking ahead

The conflicts often defy their neat prognosis, and this one could well pan out very differently from its initial choreography, under which Tehran is defanged and left to its own devices, akin to Saddam Hussein's Iraq after Operation Desert Storm in 1991.

On the other hand, a wounded Iran could well expand the conflict to inflict retributions upon pro-western states that it perceives to be accomplices in the Israeli invasion. This may well drag in the United States directly, with consequences that range from a forced regime change in Tehran to a kaleidoscopic redraw of regional geopolitics.

Iran, well-endowed with hydrocarbons, has long chased a nuclear mirage, estimated to have cost it up to $100 billion, to ensure its national security. The current turn of events may entitle many to wonder if this imprudent quest had exactly the opposite effect.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Operation Rising Lion

Israel's strikes on some of Iran's facilities mark a dangerous escalation in an already volatile West Asian theatre. While Israel cites preemptive security concerns, such unilateral actions risk provoking severe retaliation from Tehran, which could engulf the region in wider conflict. Iran's possible military or proxy-based response may destabilise not just Israel but also the Gulf states, threatening vital global energy supplies. This tit-for-tat brinkmanship undermines ongoing diplomatic efforts, especially the already fragile Iran nuclear deal framework. Moreover, it raises the spectre of a nuclear arms race in the region, as other nations may seek similar deterrents. India, with its strategic ties to both Israel and Iran, and its dependence on Gulf energy routes, has cause for concern. The international community, particularly the UN and regional powers, must act swiftly to de-escalate tensions and revive meaningful dialogue before the situation spirals beyond control.

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U.S. ties, the reality

A report that the Pakistani Army Chief General has been invited to an event in Washington DC on the occasion of U.S. Army Day, on June 14, makes one wonder what the true state of India-U.S. ties is like. There is also another report of General Michael Kurilla having praised Pakistan for its "counter-terror efforts" and helping the U.S. achieve its objectives in the region (June 11). This runs counter to India's repeated line that Pakistan is the penetrator of terrorism. Such reports only strengthen doubts about America being a 'reliable partner'.

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Air safety

In an interview to a YouTube channel, Captain Mohan Ranganathan, an aviation safety expert, has said that Ahmedabad airport is known to have a high risk factor of bird hits and that most airports in India function in violation of International Civil Aviation Organization and Directorate General of Civil Aviation rules. The government may have set up an inquiry committee to probe the crash at Ahmedabad, but more often than not, all these inquiries end with the authorities signing up on the dotted line and not caring about the real conditions. Therefore, if the inquiry is to be impartial, it should include committed experts. The government must implement safety recommendations.

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The crash site in Ahmedabad. VIJAY SONEJI

Skyfall in Ahmedabad

On June 12, an Air India aircraft carrying 242 passengers and crew members crashed into the B.J. Medical College in Meghani Nagar, just moments after take-off in Ahmedabad. The Boeing 787-8 Dreamliner burst into flames, killing 241 people aboard and several others in the medical college dining mess and its premises. **Jagriti Chandra** and **Abhinay Deshpande** report on one of the worst aviation disasters in recent history

Surajbhai Patani sits silently in an autorickshaw on the premises of Ahmedabad's Civil Hospital in Gujarat. Just hours earlier, on June 12, his son, 15-year-old Akash, had rushed to deliver lunch to his wife, Sitaben, at her tea stall in Meghani Nagar, about 5 kilometres from the airport. Now, Akash's body is lying in the hospital morgue, while Sitaben is fighting for her life in the trauma care centre, just a few meters away.

Sitaben and Akash were not on the Air India passenger plane, which crashed into the B.J. Medical College in Meghani Nagar just moments after take-off in Ahmedabad. Yet the tragedy killed Akash in an instant.

Suraj is torn between grief and relief. "Should I be distraught that my son has died or happy that my wife has survived," he asks.

Vishalbhai, Akash's brother-in-law, says Sita was at her usual work spot near the medical college when Akash, a Class 9 student at a private school, brought her lunch. "She told me that as she started eating, he lay down on a wooden cot," says Vishal. "Suddenly the aircraft crashed and burst into flames. Akash was burnt alive."

Suraj, an autorickshaw driver, was on duty when the disaster struck. He learned of the accident 30 minutes later and rushed to the scene only to learn that his son was no more.

Air India announced later that 241 of the 242 passengers and crew had died in the crash. There is no confirmation yet on the number of deaths in the medical college and elsewhere in the area although rescuers estimate a death toll of at least 50 people. After the crash, the Tata Group, Air India's owners, announced ₹1 crore compensation to the families of those who lost their lives. The Group said that they would also cover the medical expenses of those injured and ensure that they receive the necessary care and support. Additionally, it stated that it would provide support in rebuilding the medical college.

"No money can replace him," says Suraj sobbing, on being told about the compensation. Suraj now hovers between the trauma care centre, where Sita battles severe burns, and the morgue, where Akash's body awaits post-mortem. Like many others, he has given his DNA sample to doctors and hopes to get his son's body soon.

Relatives say Sita's survival is a "miracle," but they are unable to fully appreciate it during this moment of loss. "He was just a boy," Vishal says, clutching his own toddler. "All he did was to help his mother."

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> **RAFIQ**
> Relative of passenger, Syed Javid Ali

The crash

At 1.38 p.m. on June 12, the aircraft, a Boeing 787-8 Dreamliner, steered by pilot in command Sumit Sabharwal, and co-pilot Clive Kunder, took off from Ahmedabad's Sardar Vallabhai Patel International Airport for London's Gatwick Airport. It was carrying 169 Indians, 53 British nationals, seven Portuguese, and one Canadian; there were 12 crew members.

Just seconds after taking off and climbing to a height of about 600 feet, the aircraft began a shallow descent, according to flight radar data. It then quickly crashed into a building and burst into flames, according to CCTV footage from the airport. Residents of the area say they heard an explosion. The Directorate General of Civil Aviation says the pilots had issued a mayday call moments before the crash.

By 10 p.m., the smell of charred flesh, chemical fumes, and aviation fuel had permeated the air in Ahmedabad's Civil Hospital. The wailing sound of ambulance sirens constantly pierced the air. Volunteers who were directing traffic and managing the crowd blew whistles. The hospital staff made announcements on loudspeakers for relatives who were seeking news of loved ones.

Outside the hospital's post-mortem division, dozens of stretchers, draped in white sheets, lined the road. Besides relatives and helpers, a swarm of journalists had gathered around with cameras and notepads. By then, Air India had announced that 241 of the 242 passengers had died in the crash. Among the dead was former Gujarat Chief Minister, Vijay Rupani, who was on his way to London to meet his wife and daughter. One passenger had miraculously survived.

On June 13, Prime Minister Narendra Modi arrived at the accident site along with the Aviation Minister, Ram Mohan Naidu. As he inspected the site, the tail section of the aircraft could still be seen jutting out of a corner of the hostel dining area. Fragments of the aircraft's wing and engine cover could also be seen on the sandy ground separating the hostel mess from other buildings on campus, where typically children gather to play cricket, according to residents. The remaining parts of the aircraft, including its engines, the fuselage, and the nose appear to have been consumed by the ferocious inferno.

The black box has been retrieved from the building. The DGCA has ordered Air India to carry out additional maintenance action on all Boeing 787-8 and 787-9 aircraft equipped with Genx engines, including checks before departure.

A lunch that turned tragic

According to a security guard who was on duty at the medical college at the time of the crash, nearly 1,200 residents gather at the men's hostel mess for lunch between noon and 3 p.m. "Fortunately, the crash happened at the time the lunch break was concluding, or else the casualties would have been much higher," says the guard, who helped pull out bodies from the wreckage.

The guard recalls hearing a loud noise. When he rushed to the site, he saw huge plumes of smoke coming out of the building. "The smoke was so thick that it was impossible to see the surroundings," he says. He couldn't believe his eyes when he figured out that an aircraft had pierced through the building.

Personnel of the Central Industrial Security Force, deployed at the airport, were among the first responders, says the guard. "They arrived within 20 minutes, while the fire brigade arrived within 45 minutes. Then multiple other agencies came to help in rescue efforts, including the National Disaster Relief Force," he says.

One of the guard's colleagues was injured in the crash and is being treated at the hospital. "He was stationed at the residential complex of the intern doctors. That is the area that bore the maximum brunt of the crash in the hostel premises," the guard says.

The residential complex of the intern doctors had turned into a hot furnace, which made it impossible for rescuers to approach the building, the guard adds. He says bodies could be removed only when the fire tenders arrived on the scene.

Relatives mourn the death of their loved ones, outside the post-mortem room at the Civil Hospital, Ahmedabad. VIJAY SONEJI

An anxious wait

The hospital morgue has been pushed to its breaking point. Doctors and staff have transformed the post-mortem waiting area into an emergency mortuary. "We had no choice. The numbers were beyond our capacity," says a harried hospital worker. To slow decomposition of bodies, authorities have installed multiple air conditioners. They say they are buying time for DNA identification so that families can claim their loved ones. So far, the bodies of six victims have been handed over to their families after identification on Friday, say the police.

Rafiq, from Mumbai's Goregaon, sits outside the morgue. His nephew, Syed Javid Ali, a 36-year-old hotel manager in London, had just celebrated his mother Fareeda's birthday before boarding the flight back to the U.K. on June 12. His family is now left waiting for his remains.

"How can both engines of such a massive plane fail at once," Rafiq asks. "Who cleared this aircraft for takeoff? It was clearly a death trap."

Rafiq says Syed had lived in London for more than 15 years. He visited India occasionally to see his mother. Syed's family had given their DNA samples at 4 a.m. and were clinging onto the hope of claiming his body. They were told it would take at least 72 hours.

When officials announce financial aid for victims' families, Rafiq says, "They talk about money, but all we want is our child to come back. All we want are answers."

Providing DNA samples

At the B.J. Medical College on the premises of Civil Hospital, relatives have been escorted into the auditorium to submit DNA samples. Among them is a woman from Bengaluru. Sitting alone on a bench, she says her brother was on the flight. She refuses to say anything more. "Respect my privacy," she says. The woman gives her sample, returns, and breaks down. Volunteers give her water and guide her through the paperwork.

Ahmedabad's Ellis Bridge MLA, Amit Shah, and Amraiwadi MLA, Dr. Hasmukh Patel, assist the families in the DNA sample collection process. They say they began working at 6 a.m. "The party (Bharatiya Janata Party, in power at the centre and in Gujarat) has assigned us to remain at the medical college and help facilitate the DNA sampling process. Once our six-hour shift ends, two other MLAs will take over," they say.

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> **RAVI KUMAR THAKUR**

Ravi Kumar Thakur stands on the auditorium dais. He is waiting anxiously for any information about his mother, 50-year-old Sarala Prahalad Thakur, who works as a cook at the hostel. She had been in the rear section of the building, where the aircraft had struck, along with his two-year-old daughter, Adhya, he says.

"We don't know if my mother and daughter are alive," Ravi says. "My mother cooks for junior doctors, and my wife and I deliver lunch boxes to the resident doctors. All of us serve the doctors here, and our house is opposite the outpatient block. My DNA sample has been taken. Deep down, I fear the worst." Ravi says his five-year-old son, Madhav, had just finished lunch and was playing near the laundry area when the plane hit the building. "Somehow, he escaped unscathed. It is a miracle," Ravi says.

Recalling the chaos following the crash, Ravi recalls how the building was engulfed in thick black smoke. "People were screaming and running for their lives. We have been searching all day through the rubble for my mother and little girl, but we haven't found them," he says. He stares at a video on his phone. It shows Sarala laughing as she feeds Adhya.

Across the civil hospital campus, volunteers from the Rashtriya Swayamsevak Sangh (RSS), the BJP's ideological wing, can be spotted in their trademark white shirts and khaki pants. They move swiftly through the crowds, along with the State police, directing grieving families and distributing food and water.

Authorities have started the process of returning the dead to their loved ones. Bodies that could be visually identified were released after autopsy. Among them was Aryan Rajput, a 19-year-old first-year MBBS student from Gwalior. The promising young doctor had been eating lunch in the medical college hostel mess when the aircraft hit the building.

"Aryan's body was identified without DNA testing. So the autopsy was conducted and his mortal remains are being sent to his native place. He was a bright student," says Aryan's senior in college, who was assisting with the procedures.

Passenger 11A

Vishwashkumar Ramesh, the sole survivor of the crash, told a reporter from Doordarshan, the state service television channel, that he still cannot fathom how he made it out alive. Prime Minister Modi visited Ramesh at the Civil Hospital and enquired about his condition.

Ramesh, 45, who was sitting near the emergency exit in 11A, recalled that moments after take off from Ahmedabad, the aircraft appeared to stall. "For a moment, I thought I would die, but when my eyes opened, I was alive. I saw that air hostesses and aunties and uncles had died."

His side of the aircraft did not hit the hostel building. This, he said, gave him a slim chance to escape. "The aircraft landed on the ground. There was some space on my side. When the door broke open, I removed my seat belt and exited. My left hand got burnt in the fire but I walked out of the crash site," he said.

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Black box recovered from roof of hostel

Barring some fragments of its wings and one engine cover, the rest of the aircraft appeared to have been completely destroyed by the massive explosion caused by fully laden fuel tanks containing 1.25 lakh litres of aviation turbine fuel.

The black box was recovered from the roof of the B.J. Medical College hostel mess building, into which part of the aircraft crashed. "The Flight Data Recorder (Black Box) has been recovered within 28 hours from the accident site in Ahmedabad by AAIB," Civil Aviation Minister Ram Mohan Naidu said in a post on X.

Air India CEO Campbell Wilson and the airline's Chief Customer Experience Officer Rajesh Dogra also visited the accident site. Later, Mr. Dogra joined a large team at the Ahmedabad Civil Hospital's DNA collection centre to help families in identification of the victims.

Though called a 'black box', the metal case is actually orange, as the brighter colour makes it easier to identify in the midst of debris. It refers to not one, but two critical data recording devices: the Flight Data Recorder (FDR) and the Cockpit Voice Recorder (CVR).

The equipment is located in the tail of the aircraft which, in Thursday's crash, was the only part of the entire plane that remained intact.

(With PTI inputs)

Israel hits Iran nuclear sites, military leaders

Iran had been censured by the UN's atomic watchdog on Thursday for not complying with obligations meant to prevent it from developing a nuclear weapon. Israel had told the Trump administration in U.S. that the large-scale attacks were coming, officials from both countries said on condition of anonymity.

Its Mossad spy agency positioned explosive drones and precision weapons inside Iran ahead of time, and used them to target Iranian air defences and missile launchers near Tehran, according to two security officials who spoke on condition of anonymity. It was not possible to independently confirm the officials' claims.

On Wednesday, the U.S. pulled some American diplomats from Iraq's capital and offered voluntary evacuations for the families of U.S. troops in the wider region. Countries in the region condemned Israel's attack, while leaders around the globe called for immediate de-escalation from both sides. Iran asked for an emergency meeting of the UN Security Council.

The United States is shifting military resources, including ships, in West Asia in response to Israel's strikes on Iran and a possible retaliatory attack by Tehran, two U.S. officials said on Friday.

Israel's military spokesman Brig. Gen. Effie Defrin said the Natanz facility was "significantly damaged" and that the operation was "still in the beginning."

Among those killed were three of Iran's top military leaders: one who oversaw the entire armed forces, Gen. Mohammad Bagheri; one who led the paramilitary Revolutionary Guard, Gen. Hossein Salami; and the head of the Guard's ballistic missile programme, Gen. Amir Ali Hajizadeh.

Iran confirmed all three deaths, significant blows to its governing theocracy that will complicate efforts to retaliate. Mr. Khamenei said other top military officials and scientists were also killed. In its first response, Iran fired more than 100 drones at Israel.

(With AFP inputs)

Modi talks to Israeli PM, calls for early restoration of peace

New Delhi says it is 'deeply concerned' about evolving situation in West Asia; MEA asks Israel and Iran to engage in dialogue; Embassies urge Indians to stay vigilant, avoid unnecessary movement

Kallol Bhattacherjee
NEW DELHI

Prime Minister Narendra Modi on Friday gave a call for "early restoration of peace" in the backdrop of the escalating conflict between Israel and Iran. He conveyed the Indian position in a phone call with Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu on Friday evening when the latter briefed him about the Israeli attacks on Iran.

"Received a phone call from Prime Minister Netanyahu of Israel. He briefed me on the evolving situation. I shared India's concerns and emphasised the need for early restoration of peace and stability in the region," said Mr. Modi.

Earlier in the day, the Ministry of External Affairs (MEA) had expressed deep concern after Israel carried out bombing of targets that included nuclear energy research stations in Iran.

Tense times: Firefighters work to douse the fire in a damaged building in Tehran on Friday. REUTERS

"We are deeply concerned at the recent developments between Iran and Israel. We are closely monitoring the evolving situation, including reports related to attacks on nuclear sites," it said.

"India urges both sides to avoid any escalatory steps. Existing channels of dialogue and diplomacy should be utilised to work towards a de-escalation of the situation and resolving underlying issues. India enjoys close and friendly relations with both the countries and stands ready to extend all possible support," said the MEA.

Operation Rising Lion

In a televised address, Mr. Netanyahu had announced that Israel launched Operation Rising Lion describing it as a "targeted military operation to roll back the Iranian threat to Israel's very survival". "This operation will continue for as many days as it takes to remove this threat," he said.

Israel has around 30,000 Indians employed in various projects and universities. Indian authorities have been engaged with both Iran and Israel regarding the safety of Indian citizens in the two countries as well as in the rest of the Gulf region.

Accordingly, the Indian Embassies in Tehran and Tel Aviv have issued advisories for Indian citizens urging them to be careful in view of the escalating tension in the region.

The Embassy in Iran advised Indian citizens to "avoid all unnecessary movements" and follow the social media accounts of the mission.

The Embassy in Iran too urged Indians "to please exercise caution, avoid unnecessary travel within the country and stay close to safety shelters".

16 long-haul Air India flights diverted as Iranian airspace shut

The Hindu Bureau
NEW DELHI

Passengers at the Air India ticket counter in Delhi after flights got delayed. REUTERS

As many as 16 long-haul and ultra long-haul Air India flights were diverted on Friday, following Israel's attack on Iran and the subsequent closure of Iranian airspace.

In a travel advisory, the airline said that alternate arrangements were being made to fly passengers to their destinations.

"Due to the emerging situation in Iran, the subsequent closure of its airspace and in view of the safety of our passengers, some of the Air India flights are either being diverted or are returning to their origin," Air India said.

Diversions and returns

Air flight AI-130, heading from London to Mumbai, and AI-106, flying from Newark to New Delhi, were both diverted to Vienna; AI-102, scheduled to fly from New York to New Delhi, was diverted to Sharjah; and AI-116, flying from New York to Mumbai, was taken to Jeddah. The airline added that flight AI-2018, from London to New Delhi, was diverted to Mumbai, while AI-129, flying from Mumbai to London, and AI-119, flying from Mumbai to New York, returned to Mumbai.

AI-103, heading from New Delhi to Washington, returned to New Delhi.

In a social media post on X, IndiGo said that due to airspace closures over Iran and nearby regions, some routes may be impacted and cause longer travel times or cancellations.

India abstains from UNGA resolution for Gaza ceasefire

Suhasini Haidar
NEW DELHI

India abstained from a UN General Assembly resolution calling for a ceasefire in Gaza for the fourth time in three years, indicating a growing trend in the Modi government's policy not to vote on statements critical of Israel's bombardment of Gaza, in which 55,000 have been killed. India had voted in favour of a UNGA resolution for ceasefire in December 2024, making the latest move a significant departure from India's position just six months ago.

India's vote came in even as External Affairs Minister S. Jaishankar is in Paris for bilateral talks with French Foreign Minister Barrot, who is expected to request a high-level participation from India for a UN conference on creating conditions for a "Two-State solution", that France is organising jointly with Saudi Arabia. Diplomatic sources for both countries said they have not so far heard about India's participation at the conference dated June 17-20, or if India would be represented by the Permanent Mission of India in New York. The MEA did not comment on the issue.

According to a leaked demarche reported by U.S. media, the Trump administration has "warned" partner countries not to join the conference or to make pledges for the recognition of Palestine. India recognised Palestine in 1988, and is among 147 of 193 UNGA countries that have already recognised the Palestinian state.

19 abstentions

The resolution at the UNGA on Thursday evening was introduced by Spain, and applause broke out in the assembly as it was passed with more than 4/5ths of all countries voting for it. India was one of 19 abstentions on the vote along with Albania, Dominica, Ecuador, Kiribati, Malawi and other countries, while 149 of 180 countries voted for the resolution entitled "Protection of civilians and upholding legal and humanitarian obligations". The United States voted with Israel and 10 other countries against the resolution. India was the only country in South Asia, BRICS or the SCO groupings to abstain.

Ayes and nays: The tally is displayed on a screen after UNGA voted on a draft resolution calling for a ceasefire in Gaza. AFP

Explaining the vote, India's Permanent Representative to the United Nations Parvathaneni Harish said that India was "deeply concerned" about the humanitarian crisis in Gaza, but that it decided to abstain "in continuation" of previous votes in December 2022 criticising Israel for human rights violations and in December 2024 that referred the Israeli bombardment of Gaza to the International Court of Justice. India had also abstained from a vote calling for a ceasefire in October 2023 and two other resolutions pertaining to human rights investigations in 2023-2024.

"Our vote today is in continuation of [these votes], in the belief that there is no other way to resolve conflicts but through dialogue and diplomacy," Mr. Harish said. The single exception in the recent past, was on December 13, 2024, when India joined 158 countries at the UNGA that demanded an immediate ceasefire at the time.

'Facilitate aid to Gaza'

The resolution passed at the UNGA had called on Israel and Hamas to comply with international law obligations, and an "immediate and permanent facilitation of full, rapid, safe and unhindered entry of humanitarian assistance at scale in Gaza, including food and medical supplies, fuel, shelter and access to clean drinking water".

In their explanation, the U.S. Acting Ambassador Dorothy Shea criticised the resolution for not being critical of Hamas, although it called for the immediate return of the remaining hostages. However, Russian Ambassador Vasily Nebenzya said the death toll from Israel's bombardment and blockade of Gaza restricting humanitarian aid into the enclave was unacceptable and a ceasefire was necessary immediately. In the past three months since Israel cancelled the ceasefire, UN agencies, including WHO, estimate that dozens of children have died due to malnutrition effects, while about half a million of the two million people in Gaza face a "catastrophic situation of hunger, acute malnutrition, starvation, illness and death".

"There was a time when the world was still horrified that the number of those killed in the Gaza Strip was approaching 15-, 20- or 30,000 people," Mr. Nebenzya said. "Now that number is almost twice that – 55,000."

All eyes are now on the French-Saudi conference that will bring together all members of the UNGA to discuss how to implement a two-state solution for Israel and Palestine beginning June 17, just after the G-7 summit in Canada.

Congress asks why PM is silent over Trump claims

The Hindu Bureau
NEW DELHI

The Congress on Friday asked why Prime Minister Narendra Modi continued to be silent even as U.S. President Donald Trump repeated his claim of "stopping" a war between India and Pakistan with "trade" for the "nth time".

Sharing a video clip of Mr. Trump's remarks on X, Congress communications chief Jairam Ramesh said while India is engulfed in grief over the Ahmedabad aircraft tragedy, the U.S. President continues to make claims on India and Pakistan. "This was at the Kennedy Centre in Washington DC yesterday. And the Prime Minister continues to be silent on these claims," he said. Despite Mr. Trump's claims, India has maintained that the understanding on cessation of hostilities was reached following direct bilateral talks.

Shubhanshu Shukla's Axiom mission to ISS postponed once again

The Hindu Bureau
BENGALURU

A Falcon 9 rocket stands at the pad for the launch of the Axiom-4 crewed mission.

After multiple postponements, the launch of Indian astronaut Group Captain Shubhanshu Shukla's mission to the International Space Station (ISS) has once again been postponed, this time due to a glitch in the ISS. NASA said it, along with Axiom Space, was postponing the launch of Axiom Mission 4.

As part of an ongoing investigation, NASA is working with Russia's space agency Roscosmos to understand a new pressure signature, after the recent post-repair effort in the aftmost segment of the ISS's Zvezda service module.

According to NASA, "Cosmonauts aboard the space station recently performed inspections of the pressurized module's interior surfaces, sealed some additional areas of interest, and measured the current leak rate. Following this effort, the segment now is holding pressure."

Postponement of Axiom Mission 4 provides additional time for NASA and Roscosmos to evaluate the situation and determine whether any additional troubleshooting is necessary.

NASA deferred to Roscosmos to answer specific questions about the Zvezda module. A new launch date for the fourth private astronaut mission is yet to be decided.

India must condemn Israel strike as silence will be seen as complicity, say Left parties

The Hindu Bureau
NEW DELHI

The parties say the attack could spark a broader regional conflict and create more instability

Left parties on Friday urged the Union government to condemn Israel's air strike on Iran and urge Tel Aviv to cease its military operations immediately, saying that it could likely spark a broader regional conflict and plunge West Asia into deeper instability.

The Communist Party of India (Marxist), in a statement here, said, this act once again demonstrates that Israel is behaving like a "rogue state" launching attacks on countries in West Asia at will and violating international laws and conventions.

The party said the Israeli strikes have resulted in the deaths of senior nuclear scientists, army generals, and numerous civilians in Iran. "The objective appears to be the assertion of Israel's hegemony over the entire West Asian region..." the CPI(M) alleged. While Israel itself possesses nuclear weapons, it is seeking to prevent other countries in the region from developing nuclear technology, even for peaceful purposes.

'Genocidal war'

"This attack, occurring amidst ongoing negotiations with Iran on nuclear issues, is likely to spark a broader regional conflict and plunge West Asia into deeper instability. For the past 20 months, Israel has been carrying out a genocidal war against Palestine. Now, with this attack on Iran, it is clear that Israel seeks to eliminate any potential challenge to its dominance in the region," the party said.

The Communist Party of India called it an act of "unprovoked act of aggression". "The Indian government must break its silence and condemn this attack unequivocally, aligning with our long-standing foreign policy based on non-alignment, peace, and respect for sovereignty," it said.

The Communist Party of India (Marxist-Leninist) Liberation also strongly condemned the Israeli aggression. The party said that India must "break its silence and take all possible steps to stop Israel", adding, "Silence and inaction will amount to complicity and India must not be bracketed with the U.S.-Israel axis in its escalating crimes against humanity." The All India Forward Bloc said the attack threatens global peace and stability.

Ensure the safety of Kashmiri students in Iran, says Omar

The Hindu Bureau
SRINAGAR

Omar Abdullah

Several Jammu and Kashmir leaders, including Chief Minister Omar Abdullah, on Friday condemned Israel for attacking Iran, while sporadic anti-Israel protests were held in parts of the Kashmir valley.

"Israel is doing what Russia did in Ukraine. But these powers, whether America, Europe, or anyone else, become silent. Iran did not give any reason to be attacked. This looks like a pre-emptive strike. It is very sad if the world powers remain silent on this," Mr. Abdullah said.

The Chief Minister also requested the Ministry of External Affairs (MEA) to ensure the safety of Kashmiri students in Iran. "Requesting @MEAIndia to urgently ensure the safety and well-being of Kashmiri students currently stuck in Iran. Their families are deeply worried, and we stand with them in this difficult time. Every step must be taken to safeguard our students," Mr. Abdullah said on X.

Former J&K Chief Minister and Peoples Democratic Party (PDP) president Mehbooba Mufti termed Israel's attack on Iran as "yet another brazen act by a State that appears to have gone rogue". "The silence of the global community, particularly Western powers led by the United States, is both alarming and telling. This silence amounts to tacit approval," Ms. Mufti said.

Air India's Dreamliner fleet to undergo enhanced safety checks

A day after crash, the DGCA issues new inspection guidelines for the Boeing 787-8 and 787-9 Dreamliner fleet powered by GEnx engines; they include pre-flight checks, inspections in transit, power assurance checks, and review of repetitive snags

Sandeep Phukan
NEW DELHI

A day after Air India flight AI-171 crashed shortly after take-off from the Ahmedabad airport, India's aviation safety regulator, the Directorate General of Civil Aviation (DGCA), issued fresh inspection guidelines for the airline's Boeing 787 Dreamliner fleet, which is powered by GEnx engines. These new guidelines will be mandatory from June 15.

The GEnx engine's manufacturer, GE Aerospace, said that safety is a top priority. In a statement, the company said it supported the actions "taken by the Indian Directorate General of Civil Aviation for enhanced safety inspections of the Air India 787-8/9 fleet".

"We are committed to providing all technical support necessary to understand the cause of this accident," a GE Aerospace spokesperson said.

The enhanced DGCA inspection includes pre-flight checks, inspections in transit, power assurance checks, and a review of repetitive snags. These actions should all be carried out in coordination with the DGCA regional offices concerned, it said, adding that a report on these inspections must "be submitted to the DGCA for review".

Burnt remains: A part of the Boeing 787-8 which crashed in Ahmedabad on Thursday. VIJAY SONEJI

Air India's 26 Boeing 787-8s and seven Boeing 787-9s must all undergo a one-time check before the departure of a flight from India, with effect from June 15.

This includes an inspection of fuel parameter monitoring and associated system checks, inspection of the cabin air compressor and associated systems, an electronic engine control system test, an engine fuel-driven actuator-operational test and oil system check, a serviceability check of the hydraulic system, and a review of take-off parameters.

The regulator added that a flight control inspection must be introduced in transit, until further notice, while power assurance checks must be carried out within two weeks.

The DGCA also directed a "closure of maintenance actions based upon the review of repetitive snags during the last 15 days on B787-8/9 aircraft at the earliest."

Modi pays tribute to Vijay Rupani, visits family

The Hindu Bureau
NEW DELHI

Prime Minister Narendra Modi on Friday met with the family of former Gujarat Chief Minister Vijay Rupani, who was among those killed in the crash of Air India flight AI-171 in Ahmedabad.

Posting on X, Mr. Modi paid tribute to his deceased party colleague, describing him as a humble and hardworking individual.

"Met the family of Shri Vijaybhai Rupani Ji. It is unimaginable that Vijaybhai is not in our midst. I've known him for decades. We worked together, shoulder to shoulder, including during some of the most challenging times. Vijaybhai was humble and hardworking, firmly committed to the Party's ideology," Mr. Modi wrote.

Grief-stricken kin give DNA samples to identify victims

Abhinay Deshpande
AHMEDABAD

Grim moments: Hospital staff collecting DNA samples of relatives of the victims at the Civil Hospital in Ahmedabad. VIJAY SONEJI

The air outside Ahmedabad's Civil Hospital hung thick with unspoken grief. Dozens of families sat in rows, some clutching their family members, others staring blankly at the ground or photographs of loved ones – waiting to give DNA samples that might finally bring their loved ones home. Inside the autopsy rooms, forensic teams moved through their grim work.

The B.J. Medical College auditorium, its walls echoing with quiet sobs, had transformed into a grim waiting room. Families who had rushed from across India now sat on wooden benches with desks, just behind the autopsy room.

Those aboard the ill-fated flight had varied reasons for their journey. Some were returning to the United Kingdom after a brief visit to their homeland, while others were foreign nationals heading back to their countries. Many were visiting family members in the U.K., and among them was Gujarat's former Chief Minister Vijay Rupani, who was en route to London to reunite with his wife and daughter.

One of the victims, Prakash Chandra Menariya, was a 45-year-old cook from London. A native of Rohida in Udaipur district in Rajasthan, he had come to India two months ago after his father passed away.

"His family lives in the village. He was living in London for around 20 years. His 25-year-old son gave the DNA sample for identification," said the victim's brother-in-law, Prakash Mehta, who was waiting outside the auditorium.

He said Menariya used to visit India at least once a year as his family – wife and two sons – lived at Rohida.

Many of the grieving family members were not willing to speak to the media.

Newly-wed Ankita Patel, 26, was among the 242 who boarded the flight with dreams of reuniting with her U.K.-based husband, Vasant Patel. Married last December, they had spent just 12 days together before he returned to his provision store in Britain.

After six months of visa preparations, her family had joyfully seen her off at Ahmedabad airport. Hours later, their celebration turned to tragedy when the plane crashed. Now, Mr. Patel returns to claim his wife's remains.

No government can replace him, says teen victim's father

Abhinay Deshpande
AHMEDABAD

The devastating crash of a London-bound Air India flight on Thursday not only claimed the lives of several passengers on board but also killed several residents and bystanders when the aircraft ploughed into a building. Among the victims was 15-year-old Akashbhai Surajbhai Patani, who was sleeping on a wooden cot near his mother's tea stall (pushcart) when the tragedy struck.

While Akash died instantly in the flames, his mother, Sitabhen Patani, who was serving tea at her pushcart, suffered severe burns and is currently undergoing treatment at Ahmedabad's Civil Hospital. Just a few metres away from her ward, her son's body lies in the post-mortem room.

Akash's father, in yellow shirt, waiting outside the morgue in Ahmedabad.

Ms. Sitabhen's husband, Surajbhai, an autorickshaw driver in Ahmedabad, was on duty when the crash occurred. He learned about the accident 30 minutes later and rushed to the scene, only to find his son dead.

"No government or money can replace him... he was a bright child," Mr. Surajbhai said, his voice heavy with sorrow.

Akash, a Class 9 student at a local private school, had gone to his mother's tea stall to deliver her lunch. "As she was eating, he slept on the wooden cot when the plane crashed... he was burnt alive in the flames," said Vishalbhai, Akash's brother-in-law.

The family, gathered near the morgue, struggles to process the loss. While they consider Ms. Sitabhen "lucky" to have survived, the void left by Akash's death is irreplaceable.

Don't know how I am alive, says lone survivor

Abhinay Deshpande
AHMEDABAD

As the charred remains of the London-bound Air India flight were being cleared from the narrow lanes of Meghaninagar, two extraordinary stories emerged from the tragedy that left 241 people dead.

British national Vishwas Kumar Ramesh, 45, the lone survivor of the horrific crash, was still in shock.

"I don't know how I am alive," Mr. Ramesh, recovering at the Civil Hospital here, said of his miraculous survival. "I remember the sound of metal tearing and people screaming... then everything went dark."

Mr. Ramesh recalled that moments after take-off, the aircraft appeared to stall. "Within a minute, it felt that the plane had just stalled. Green and white lights were flashing. It looked like they were trying to give the aircraft more thrust, and the plane crashed into a building," he said.

Prime Minister Narendra Modi meets Vishwas Kumar Ramesh, the sole survivor of the crash, at a hospital in Ahmedabad. AFP

The Leicester resident said: "It all happened in front of my eyes. For a brief moment, I felt I was about to die, but when my eyes opened, I was alive. I unbuckled myself from the seat and exited from an opening." He added, "In front of my eyes, air hostesses and aunties and uncles were lying dead."

Rakesh S. Joshi, Medical Superintendent, Civil Hospital, told *The Hindu* that the survivor was under psychiatric care for trauma and had received counselling.

"He is unable to recall much, but said he managed to jump out of the aircraft as he was seated near the emergency exit."

Mr. Ramesh was seated in 11A, a window seat in the first row of economy class, close to an emergency exit. His side of the aircraft did not hit the hostel building, which, he said, gave him a slim chance of escape. "It landed on the ground. When the door broke open, I could find space to escape. My left hand got burnt in the fire, but I walked out of the crash site. I received good treatment here," Mr. Ramesh said.

Prime Minister Narendra Modi visited Mr. Ramesh at the hospital and enquired about his condition.

For Bhoomi Chauhan, a resident of Gujarat's Bharuch, fate intervened differently. Ms. Chauhan, who was scheduled to return to London on the ill-fated flight, arrived at the airport 10 minutes late – held up by city traffic.

"I pleaded with the airline staff to let me board the flight, but they refused, saying the flight couldn't be delayed further because of one passenger," she recalled.

"Upset and disappointed, I started heading back home. On the way, we heard that the plane had crashed. I couldn't believe it." She said the horror of that moment still hasn't left her.

Bhalla condoles death of Manipuri crew members

Press Trust of India
IMPHAL

Manipur Governor Ajay Kumar Bhalla and former Chief Ministers N. Biren Singh and Okram Ibobi Singh condoled the death of two crew members from the State in the Air India plane crash in Ahmedabad on Thursday. The Coordinating Committee on Manipur Integrity, Meitei group, also expressed shock at the death of "precious young daughters of our soil".

Lamnunthem Singson (26) and Kongbrailatpam Nganthoi Sharma (20) were on board the flight as crew members.

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Eligibility	Registered Class I Contractors
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INBRIEF

Canadian killed in plane crash was Indian-origin dentist

Indian-origin dentist Nirali Patel was the lone Canadian citizen killed in the tragic plane crash in Ahmedabad, a media report said. Nirali Patel, 32, who lived in Etobicoke, Toronto, was travelling back to Canada from a "social trip" in India when the unfortunate accident happened, CTV News Toronto reported on Thursday. Nirali's husband is planning to travel to India along with their one-year-old child, it added. "It's absolutely shocking. There's no words in this grievance," community leader Don Patel told CTV News. Nirali's parents, brother and sister-in-law live in Brampton, Mr. Patel said, adding that the brother "was in shock" after hearing the news. PTI

Search continues for woman and child at medical college

Twenty-four hours after one of the worst aviation disasters in recent memory, Ravi Thakor stood outside B.J. Medical College in Ahmedabad, visibly distressed as he continued his search for his mother and toddler daughter. Both were inside the hostel mess into which Air India's Ahmedabad-London flight crashed. Since he, his father, and wife were engaged in the delivery of the tiffin service to the civil hospital at the time, the toddler was left in the care of her grandmother, who was cooking at the mess. He said that all the missing students had been accounted for and the bodies identified. "Only my mother and daughter are untraceable."

Opposition parties seek thorough probe into Air India crash

CPI(M) and CPI call for strengthening of air safety regulations, while Trinamool Congress condemns premature theories about the incident

The Hindu Bureau
NEW DELHI/KOLKATA

An ambulance waits as bodies of plane crash victims are shifted to cold storage from the Civil Hospital in Ahmedabad on Friday. PTI

The Left parties on Friday expressed condolences to the families of those who lost their lives in the Air India plane crash in Ahmedabad, and said the government must initiate a thorough inquiry into the tragic incident.

"The Polit Bureau of the Communist Party of India (Marxist) is deeply saddened by the tragic crash of the Air India flight from Ahmedabad to London, which resulted in the death of 265 people," the CPI(M) said, expressing condolences to "the families of all the passengers, crew members, medical students, and doctors who lost their lives in the accident".

"The Government of India must initiate a thorough inquiry into the crash and ensure that adequate safety measures are implemented to prevent such tragedies in the future," the CPI(M) said.

The Communist Party of India (CPI) also expressed grief over the accident and underlined that the victims on the ground must not be forgotten. "Their families deserve the same care and support," it said.

This catastrophic incident, the CPI said, underscored the urgent need to reinforce air safety regulations and institute rigorous oversight of aviation operations. "A thorough, independent, and transparent enquiry must be conducted to establish accountability and ensure that such avoidable tragedies do not recur," the party noted.

The Trinamool Congress too called for a "thorough, transparent, and unbiased investigation" into the crash, while condemning the emergence of what it described as conspiracy theories following the tragedy. "...It is not right to float theories such as bird hit and create a perception even before a proper investigation is conducted," party spokesperson Kunal Ghosh said.

Referring to previous transport-related incidents during the BJP-led government's tenure, he said the present state of passenger safety raises concerns.

Indore woman had advanced travel for husband's birthday

The Hindu Bureau
BHOPAL

Aryan Kirar Rajput from Gwalior was also killed in the crash.

A 30-year-old woman from Madhya Pradesh's Indore and a 22-year-old medical student from Gwalior were among the people who lost their lives in the Air India plane crash on Thursday.

Harpreet Hora was travelling to London for her husband Robbie Singh Hora's birthday on June 16. Family members said the 30-year-old woman was in Ahmedabad to visit her parents and was initially scheduled to return to London on June 19, but had brought forward her trip to be with her husband on his birthday.

"She was my daughter-in-law. She was going back for my son's birthday," said Harjeet Singh Hora, her father-in-law who lives in Indore's Rajmohalla area.

She had worked as an IT professional in Bengaluru before moving to London with her husband, an engineer by profession. Her husband is scheduled to arrive in Indore on Friday, after which the family will depart to Ahmedabad to collect her mortal remains. The two married in 2020 and don't have any children.

Aryan Kirar Rajput, a second-year MBBS student at Ahmedabad's B.J. Medical College, died in the tragic accident when the flight crashed into the hostel mess of the college.

Aryan, who hailed from Gwalior's Jiksauli village, had come to the mess for lunch. He had recently visited his home after completing the first year of college and only returned to Ahmedabad on May 31.

While relatives and neighbours have been visiting his house, Aryan's mother and sister have not yet been told about his death and only know that he had suffered injuries in the accident.

"Some family members have gone to Ahmedabad but we have not informed his mother and sister yet as everyone is distressed," Aryan's father Ramhetu Rajput told reporters.

He described Aryan as a bright and talented boy.

Kin struggle to inform elderly parents of Anju's death

The Hindu Bureau
CHANDIGARH

A day after 55-year-old Anju Sharma died in the Air India plane crash in Gujarat's Ahmedabad, her relatives at Ramsaran Majra village in Haryana's Kurukshetra district on Friday were struggling to break the news of Anju's death to her elderly parents.

After her marriage, Anju had settled in Vadodara in the 1990s. She had boarded the London-bound flight to meet her elder daughter - Nimmi. She is survived by two daughters. Her husband passed away a few years ago.

"It's hard to believe. She visited her parents last month and stayed here for a fortnight, and now she is no more. Her father Jagdish Sharma, a retired government employee, has not been keeping well for some time and mother Santosh Sharma is also aged. We are trying to find how to disclose the news, but we can't hide it for too long," Anju's uncle Balkishan Sharma told reporters.

A few other members of Anju's extended family remembered her as a compassionate and caring person who supported her family.

Family's excitement for flight attendant's wedding shattered

Press Trust of India
THANE

Roshni Songhare

Flight attendant Roshni Songhare was about to add a new chapter in her life as she was set to tie the knot with a merchant navy officer next year, and her excited family members had started making preparations for it. But all that excitement turned into despair after the news of the London-bound Air India flight crashing in Ahmedabad on Thursday afternoon broke. Roshni, 26, was one of the crew members onboard that flight.

This development plunged the Songhare family living on Rajaji Path in Dombivli town of Maharashtra's Thane district into numbing silence.

Roshni had left her home three days ago for duty, excited, as always, to serve on international flights – this time from Ahmedabad to London. But the fatal crash of the aircraft snuffed out her dreams and left her family members – 50-year-old father Rajendra, mother Shobha and younger brother Vignesh completely shattered.

"She was the heartbeat of this home. We were getting her engaged in November and married in March," a close relative told reporters in a trembling voice.

Newly-wed woman, MBBS student among 12 from Rajasthan killed

Mohammed Iqbal
JAIPUR

Women mourn the death of their relatives outside the mortuary of a hospital in Ahmedabad. AFP

A 25-year-old newly-wed woman from Balotra district and the grandson of a former MLA from Bikaner's Dungargarh were among the 12 persons from Rajasthan who were aboard the Air India flight that crashed shortly after take-off from Ahmedabad airport on Thursday. An MBBS student from Barmer was also among those killed after the plane crashed into the B.J. Medical College building.

Khushboo Rajpurohit from Balotra was on her way to London to reunite with her husband, Vipul Singh, a doctor based in the U.K. A commerce graduate, Rajpurohit had married Mr. Singh in January.

While he returned to London two months after the wedding, she had embarked on her first solo international journey aboard the ill-fated flight.

Rajpurohit is survived by her parents, two sisters, and a brother.

Dreams left behind

Abhinav Parihar, an artificial jewellery businessman hailing from Bikaner and grandson of former Dungargarh MLA Kishna Ram Nai, was returning to London with the plan to bring his wife and eight-year-old son to India to settle down. He had recently established a new office and workshop in Ahmedabad, intending to shift his business from the U.K.

Payal Khatik, 22, hailing from Udaipur district's Gogunda, was on her dream flight to London to pursue a master's degree in technology.

Payal's father, Sureshbhai Khatik, who drives a tempo truck in Gujarat's Himmatnagar, took loans from the community and other places to finance her education.

Payal herself used to give tuitions to the students to support her family.

Second-year MBBS student Jaiprakash Jat, 20, belonging to Barmer's Bor Charanan village, was among those killed under the impact of the plane's crash into the residential hostel block of B.J. Medical College in Ahmedabad. His body was recovered from the debris near the kitchen area of the hostel building.

Jaiprakash's father, Dharma Ram, a labourer at the textile mills in Balotra, took pains to support his son's education since his childhood. The young boy's success in clearing the NEET was a matter of pride for the entire village.

LIC, HDFC relax claim settlement process of Air India crash victims

The Hindu Bureau
HYDERABAD

People pay tribute to the victims of Ahmedabad plane crash, in Amritsar, on Friday. PTI

Life Insurance Corporation of India will extend certain relaxations with regard to documents required in respect of the insurance policy claims of the Air India crash victims.

In lieu of death certificates, any evidence in government records of death of the policyholder due to the crash or any compensation paid by the Union government or State government or airline authorities will be accepted as proof of death, LIC said on Friday. Claimants may contact the nearest branch, division, or customer zone. They may also LIC's call centre on 022 68276827.

Private insurer HDFC Life too said it is simplifying the claim submission process for the families affected by the tragic air crash. A claim can be initiated by nominees or legal heirs of policyholders by simply providing proof of death issued by the local government, police, or hospitals.

Reach HDFC Life via Dedicated claim helpline: 022-68446529; dedicated nodal officer: 9558821980; call centre 022-68446530; WhatsApp 8291890569. Email: service@hdfclife.com

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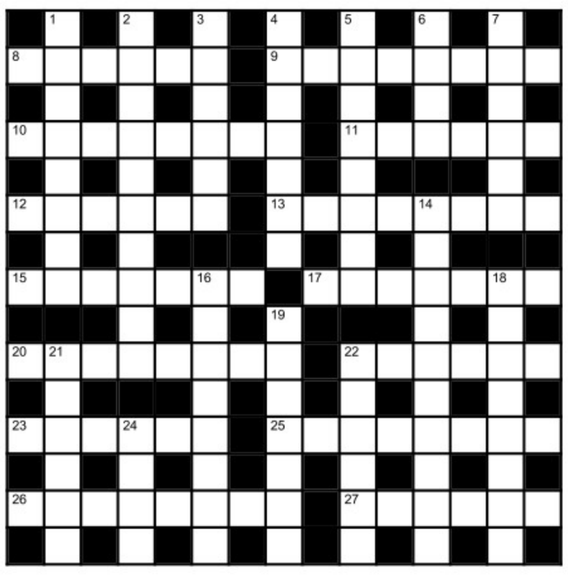

Across

8 Regularly orders accused to get out (6)
9 Unfairly conducted court proceeding - it could be militarist (8)
10 Naive altruist achiever embracing god, embracing love! (2-6)
11 One raise can be pitiful (6)
12 Pride and prejudice basically ruined a pickpocket (6)
13 Probably Norman could be ordinary seaman (1,4,3)
15 Baptist quietly discarded English fabric (7)
17 Forever seemingly ridden with misfortune (7)
20 Egyptians on borders swarmed and celebrated (8)
22 They give different colours adopting right home appliances (6)
23 Bakery product, cold, can be catalogued (6)
25 A wet trap fitting found in kitchens (3,5)
26 Left bitter possibly by love and words of opera (8)
27 Split second reverberation? Could be helicopters! (2-4)

Down

1 Flour is kneaded! Meal is on! (8)
2 Partner - manage without spades, hearts, clubs and dice ultimately! (10)
3 Merchant resting in Eindhoven dormitories (6)
4 Implicate Emily, cut and chopped by angry Rob (7)
5 Love small, cute bags? Gloat occasionally and kiss! (8)
6 Part of natural river (4)
7 Rough bit of fibre, Africa cultivated originally, exported (6)
14 Starting to excitedly prepare my new polisher (5,5)
16 Time's short but drunk king's starting to unite an ancient city (8)
18 Much of broadcast is painful, headless, loud and shrill (8)
19 Issue - 'No money in India in knowledge' (7)
21 Cats hold it back still (6)
22 Love prevails over power! Time to resign! (6)
24 Money held by neurologist (4)

SUDOKU

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Solution to yesterday's Sudoku

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FAITH

Why do we need Satsang?

Satsang refers to being associated with good people. Just as food is essential to our physical body, the company of good, noble, and pious men is necessary for a person's soul. The mind will be under control as long as a person is in the circle of satsang. Every day, people face various problems. Leaving them aside, if people elevate their minds, they can derive peace.

In *Gitanjali*, Rabindranath Tagore appeals to God to raise his head above the daily trifles. Love and affection flowing downwards is called "attachment". A person showing affection towards his son or daughter cannot be called *bhakti*. It is out of predilection. The same shown towards his father, mother and guru is called *bhakti*. Affinity demonstrated by a person towards their home is called attachment, whereas the same towards one's nation is called patriotism. In the Kathopanishad, Lord Yama, the God of death, says to the young celibate Nachiketa that if people become immersed in the things they like most, they will end up in peril. If they start introspecting between good and evil, they will derive tranquillity.

Ramanujam*ji* said in a discourse that the term 'Aacharanam' refers to a person setting an example by following himself. Acharyas are those who establish a connection with God and show the paths prescribed by the Vedas, which are easy to follow. Establishing contact with Acharyas is very important.

Why do we need Satsang? It will kindle the desire to engage in spiritual activities. Involvement in spiritual activities will not come automatically. Only the teachings of *Mahaans* (great people) will make a person immersed.

MARKETS

MARKET WATCH

	FRIDAY	% CHANGE
Sensex	81,119	-0.70
US Dollar	86.11	-0.68
Gold	1,01,540	2.21
Brent oil	73.26	4.95

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	PRICE	CHANGE
Adani Enter	2507.90	-35.80
Adani Ports	1405.00	-40.80
Apollo Hosp	6994.50	-2.00
Asian Paints	2214.20	-5.20
Axis Bank	1205.80	-7.10
Bajaj Auto	8463.50	-103.50
Bajaj Finserv	2011.00	-17.80
Bajaj Finance	9331.00	-37.50
Bharat Elec	394.20	6.80
Bharti Airtel	1840.40	-3.80
Cipla	1505.20	2.40
Coal India	391.20	-1.50
Dr Reddys Lab	1362.50	-0.20
Eicher Motors	5319.00	3.50
Eternal Ltd.	249.08	-2.48
Grasim Ind	2663.80	-25.30
HCL Tech	1695.30	-5.90
HDFC Bank	1917.60	-25.80
HDFC Life	752.85	-1.65
Hero MotoCorp	4333.80	-29.00
Hindalco	641.80	-9.25
Hind Unilever	2319.00	-13.70
ICICI Bank	1416.10	-9.10
IndusInd Bank	816.85	-13.05
Infosys	1602.00	-6.60
ITC	413.90	-7.10
Jio Financial Servic-es Ltd.	294.05	-1.95
JSW Steel	987.25	-8.40
Kotak Bank	2107.40	-19.40
L&T	3587.40	-16.50
M&M	3006.00	-13.20
Maruti Suzuki	12408.00	18.00
NestleIndia	2376.80	-8.80
NTPC	331.95	-1.75
ONGC	251.51	3.63
PowerGrid Corp	285.50	-3.50
Reliance Ind	1427.90	-13.70
SBI Life	1755.20	-10.80
State Bank	792.35	-13.60
Shriram Finance Ltd.	667.15	-0.90
Sun Pharma	1687.80	0.40
TataConsumerPro-duct	1078.40	-6.70
Tata Motors	712.05	-3.30
Tata Steel	152.13	-0.76
TCS	3445.70	11.50
Tech Mahindra	1659.00	14.60
Titan	3421.90	-30.80
Trent Ltd.	5590.00	-37.50
UltraTech Cement	11224.00	-99.00
Wipro	260.21	0.60

EXCHANGE RATES

Indicative direct rates in rupees a unit except yen at 4 p.m. on June 13

CURRENCY	TT BUY	TT SELL
US Dollar	85.88	86.20
Euro	98.75	99.12
British Pound	116.22	116.66
Japanese Yen (100)	59.52	59.74
Chinese Yuan	11.96	12.00
Swiss Franc	105.51	105.91
Singapore Dollar	66.87	67.13
Canadian Dollar	62.95	63.19
Malaysian Ringitt	20.22	20.31
Australian Dollar	55.59	55.80

Source:Indian Bank

Israel-Iran conflict may impact oil supply to India, spike export costs

Global oil prices jumped about 8% in a single day, sparking fears that a sustained escalation could push inflation in India, which imports about 80% of its oil requirement; shutting off Suez Canal and Red Sea will cost Indian exports dearer

T.C.A. Sharad Raghavan
NEW DELHI

Israel's attack on Iran and heightened tensions in the area pose significant risks to India in terms of curtailed supplies of oil and a 40-50% increase in the export costs, according to analysts and trade experts.

Global oil prices jumped about 8% in a single day, sparking fears that a sustained escalation could push inflation in India up, since it imports about 80% of its oil requirement.

"The ongoing Iran-Israel conflict is likely to pose risks to oil supply even though India does not directly import large volumes of oil from Iran," Amit Kumar, partner and Energy & Renewables Industry leader at Grant Thornton Bharat told *The Hindu*. "India imports over 80% of its crude oil needs. Hence, even if direct imports from Iran are minimal, global price spikes due to conflict will raise crude oil import costs."

Further, Mr. Kumar said that around 20% of global oil passes through the Strait of Hormuz, which is located between Iran to the north and the Arabian Peninsula to the south.

"Any disruption around the Strait of Hormuz may affect oil shipments from Iraq, Saudi Arabia, and the UAE who are key suppliers for India," he added.

Disruptions in this area could also significantly hurt India's exports in terms of time as well as costs, according to Pankaj Chadha, chairman of the Engineering Exports Promotion Council of India.

"The escalation of the conflict in the Middle East once again closes access to the Suez Canal and the Red Sea, which will have huge cost and time escalation for Indian exports," Mr. Chadda told *The Hindu*.

"Going around the Cape of Good Hope will add about 15-20 days per ship and $500-1,000 per container, which effectively works out to a 40-50% increase in costs," he added.

Impact on prices

While oil prices immediately surged following Israel's attack, they are expected to settle back down, said Norbert Rücker, head of Economics and Next Generation Research at Julius Baer. "Our best guess is that this latest conflict eruption follows the usual pattern, with prices rising temporarily before returning to previous levels," Mr. Rücker said.

Gold prices, too, surged to above ₹1 lakh per 10 grams following the attack. "In times of conflict and uncertainty, gold remains the go-to hedge for both institutional and retail investors," said Amit Jain, co-founder of Ashika Global Family Office Services.

"What we're witnessing isn't just a knee-jerk reaction. It's a continuation of a broader structural uptrend driven by central bank accumulationand long-term inflationary concerns."

'U.S. funds wary on investing in India as tariff pause is set to end'

Ashokamithran T.
MUMBAI

Investors from the U.S. may become more cautious about investing into India as the pause on tariffs is set to come to an end.

U.S. based funds had a weekly outflow of $44 million in the past week, the first time in the past two months there is an outflow, Elara Capital said in a report. "While the outflow is not significant, it potentially signals a pause in the two-month positive flow trend that had added up to $1.6 billion," it said.

U.S. funds invested $388 million into the Indian financial markets, whichmoderated to $73 million in the past week. Moreover, India is the only emerging economy where there is lacklustre inflow. Other emerging economies including Brazil and South Korea continued to receive foreign investments for eight consecutive weeks. "Indian market is still expensive for foreign funds and they are in wait and watch mode as U.S. tariffs come to an end," said Sunil Jain, V-P of Elara Capital.

Markets tumble 1% on geopolitical tensions

Press Trust of India
MUMBAI

Equity benchmark indices Sensex and Nifty tumbled nearly 1% on Friday as weak global markets and a spike in Brent crude oil prices after Israel attacked Iran's capital weighed on investor sentiment.

Falling for the second day in a row, the 30-share BSE Sensex dived 573.38 points, or 0.70%, to settle at 81,118.60. During the morning trade, it tanked 1,337.39 points, or 1.63%, to 80,354.59.

As many as 2,469 stocks declined while 1,516 advanced and 137 remained unchanged on the BSE.

The 50-share NSE Nifty dropped 169.60 points, or 0.68%, to 24,718.60.

INBRIEF

I-T notice to cryptocurrency transaction tax defaulters

The Income Tax Department has sent notices to "thousands" of taxpayers who have not paid tax on the cryptocurrency transactions, according to sources in the Central Board of Direct Taxes (CBDT). "CBDT has recently sent emails to thousands of defaulting persons to review their income tax returns and update if any income on account of VDA transactions that have not been properly declared," a source in the Central Board of Direct Taxes said.

HomeEssentials raises $2.2 million to fund expansion

HomeEssentials, a D2C brand that specialises in home and kitchen products, said it has secured $2.2 million in funding from VC firm India Quotient to grow the business. The capital would be deployed for taking the firm offline aimed at blending its digital success with real-world experience. The firm, co-founded by Tanishq Jain, CEO and Divyam Jain, CMO, has a product portfolio of over 250 multi-use items for home and kitchen which are currently sold online.

State Bank of India hires 505 probationary officers

State Bank of India (SBI) said it has hired 505 probationary officers to strengthen its process and delivery. The recruitment is aimed at filling vacancies across the country, SBI said. These officers will work in diverse areas such as banking operations, corporate credit, agri-business, wealth management, treasury operations, banking compliance and regulations, and other verticals along with an opportunity to be posted at foreign branches/offices, it added.

Scramble for supplies: Samples of rare earth minerals on display during a tour of Molycorp's facility in California. REUTERS

IREL told to stop rare earth sales to Japan, focus on local needs

Reuters
NEW DELHI

India has asked State-run miner IREL to suspend a 13-year-old agreement on rare earth exports to Japan and safeguard supplies for domestic needs, two sources familiar with the matter told *Reuters*, aiming at reducing India's dependence on China.

IREL also wants to develop India's capacity for rare earth processing, which is dominated globally by China and become a weapon in escalating trade wars. China has curbed its rare earth materials exports since April, pressuring automakers and high-tech manufacturers worldwide.

At a recent meeting with auto and other industry executives, Indian Commerce Minister Piyush Goyal asked IREL to stop its exports of rare earths, mainly neodymium, a key material used in magnets for electric vehicle motors, one of the sources said.

The Commerce Ministry, IREL and the Department of Atomic Energy, which oversees IREL, did not immediately respond to requests for comment.

The sources declined to be identified because of the matter's sensitivity.

Under a 2012 government agreement, IREL supplies rare earths to Toyotsu Rare Earths India, a unit of Japanese trading house Toyota Tsusho, which processes them for export to Japan where they are used to make magnets.

In 2024, Toyotsu shipped more than 1,000 metric tonne of rare earth materials to Japan, commercially available customs data showed.

That is one-third of the 2,900 tonne mined by IREL, although Japan relies mainly on China for rare earth supply.

Toyota Tsusho and Toyotsu did not immediately respond to requests for comment.

IREL has been exporting rare earths due to a lack of domestic processing capacity but following the recent disruptions to supplies of Chinese material it wants to keep its rare earths at home and expand domestic mining and processing, a second source said, adding that IREL is awaiting statutory clearances at four mines.

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Notice Inviting Request for Proposal (RFP)

Online Proposal are invited on behalf of Municipal Council Rajsamand from the reputed, experienced and technically eligible contractors for the services of **"Design, construction, establishment and development of processing plant and required development work and maintenance of Engineered sanitary landfill site and o&m the 20 years having a minimum adequate capacity for Rajsamand and scalable further as per requirement on VGF basis** and revised from time-to-time" The further detailed bid conditions can be downloaded from website **http://Sppp.rajasthan.gov.in**, or **http://eproc.rajasthan.gov.in**, estimate cost of work 680.00 Lacs and bid security 13.60 Lacs request for proposal submission end date of time as below :-

Publishing Date & Time	12.06.2025 at 06:00 PM
Request for Proposal Download start Date & Time	13.06.2025 at 09:00 AM
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Request for Proposal submission End Date & Time	14.07.2025 at 06:00 PM
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Notice Inviting Bid

1. BID FOR CONSTRUCTION OF 220/132 KV, 1X160 MVA; SUBSTATION AT BALESAR (UPGRADATION) (DISTT.- JODHPUR) ALONG WITH ASSOCIATED 2x220 KV FEEDER BAY WORK AT 220 KV GSS BARLI, 2X220 KV FEEDER BAY AT 220 KV GSS LOHAWAT AND 2X132 KV FEEDER BAY AT 132 KV GSS SHEKHALA, INCLUDING SURVEY, SUPPLY OF ALL EQUIPMENT'S/MATERIALS, ERECTION (INCLUDING CIVIL WORKS), TESTING AND COMMISSIONING (TURNKEY PROJECT) AGAINST SPECIFICATION NO. RVPN/EHV/BN-9019002512 & UBN: VPN2526WLOB00763 ARE INVITED FROM INTERESTED BIDDERS UP TO 04:00 PM ON 25.07.2025.
2. BID FOR CONSTRUCTION OF VARIOUS 220KV AND 132KV TRANSMISSION LINES ASSOCIATED WITH 220KV GSS BALESAR (UPGRADATION) (DISTT.- JODHPUR) INCLUDING SURVEY, SUPPLY OF ALL EQUIPMENTS/ MATERIALS, ERECTION (INCLUDING CIVIL WORKS), TESTING AND COMMISSIONING (TURNKEY PROJECT) AGAINST SPECIFICATION NO. RVPN/EHV/BN-9019002513 & UBN: VPN2526WLOB00764 ARE INVITED FROM INTERESTED BIDDERS UP TO 04:00 PM ON 25.07.2025.

Other particulars of the bid may be visited on the procurement portal **(http://eproc.rajasthan.gov.in, http://sppp.raj.nic.in)** of the state; and **http://energy.rajasthan.gov.in/rvpnl** departmental website.

Raj.Samwad/C/25/4237 RRVPN/TR-6921/2025 — **Superintending Engineer (Contracts-II), Jaipur**

Government of West Bengal
Transport Department
Flying Training Institute
New Secretariat Building, 1, Kiran Sankar Roy Road, Kolkata – 700 001

Memo No: 129/FTI-05/2025 **Date 13.06.2025**

N.I.T. NO - 127/FTI-05/2025 dated 13.06.2025
Tender ID : 2025_WBTID_864193_1

e-tender is invited by the Director, Flying Training Institute, Transport Department, Government of West Bengal from experienced NSOP for operation of one twin engine ACair-ambulance helicopter on wet lease basis from 25.06.2025 to 28.06.2025 (4 days) for Digha Ratajatra 2025. Interested operators are requested to submit bid as per tender. Last date of submission of bid 18.06.2025 upto 1300 hrs. For tender details, please visit **www.transport.wb.gov.in**. For online submission of bids, please visit website **http://wbtenders.gov.in**. Contact Tel **0332262-7024/5416.** email id: **directorftiatnis@gmail.com**. **Sd/-Director, FTI**

ICA- T12035(2)/2025

JAIPUR DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY
Indira Circle, Jawahar Lal Nehru Marg, Jaipur-302004

No : JDA/EE&TA to Dir.Engg.-I/2025-26 Dated : 13.06.2025

NOTICE INVITING BID

NIB No. : EE & TA to Dir. Engg.-I/11/2025-26

Bids are invited from interested bidders for following works :-

S. No.	UBN No.	Cost of Work (Lacs)	Nature of Work	Last Date
1	JDA2526WLOB00225	1694.64	Box Drain	01.07.2025
2.	JDA2526WLOB00218	516.10	Electrical	30.06.2025

Other particulars of the respective bid may be visited on Procurement Portal website **www.sppp.rajasthan.gov.in**, **www.eproc.rajasthan.gov.in** and **www.jda.rajasthan.gov.in**.

Executive Engineer & TA to Dir.Engg-I

Raj.Samwad/C/25/4306

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA, DEPARTMENT OF SPACE
Construction & Maintenance Division,
LPSC CAMPUS
80 Ft. Road, HAL II Stage, Bengaluru-560008.
Ph No: 080-25037203, 25037214

Date: 13.06.2025

e-TENDER NOTICE

On behalf of the President of India, Item rate tenders are invited for the following work.

Name of work	**Renovation of 1st Floor, Admin Building at LPSC(B) Campus, Bengaluru.**
Tender Notice No	**LPSC(B)/CMD/02/2022/C/MI/004/ 2025-26 Dt: 13.06.2025**
Estimated amount	**₹ 22.64 Lakhs**
Period of completion	**03 Months**
Sale Period	**From 13.06.2025 to 23.06.2025**
Earnest Money Deposit (EMD)	**₹ 45,280/-**

Interested tenderers may please refer **www.tenderwizard.com/ISRO.** Also detailed Notice Inviting Tender (NIT) for eligibility criteria and other details, which can be downloaded from website **www.isro.gov.in, www.lpsc.gov.in**

Sd/- Head, CMD, LPSC (B)

TAMILNADU CEMENTS CORPORATION LIMITED
(A GOVERNMENT OF TAMILNADU UNDERTAKING)
5th Floor, Aavin Illam, No.3A, Pasumpon Muthuramalingam Salai, Nandanam, Chennai- 35.
e- Tender Notice

e-Tender Ref. Nos	Name of the Works	Est.value in Rs.	EMD in Rs.	Due Date
07/2025-26	Appointment of transport contractors for movement of packed cement from Ariyalur Cement Works to various destinations on rate contract basis	56.43 Crore	50,000	15.07.2025
08/2025-26	Appointment of transport contractors for movement of packed cement from Alangulam Cement Works to various destinations on rate contract basis	6.19 Crore	50,000	15.07.2025

Important Note:
For e.T.Nos.07&08/2025-26, pre-bid meeting will be held on **23.06.2025** at **3.00** PM & **4.00** P.M respectively at TANCEM, Registered Office, 5th Floor, Aavin Illam, No.3A, Pasumpon Muthuramalingam Salai, Nandanam, Chennai-600 035.

The Tender document can be downloaded from **https://tntenders.gov.in.** Corrigendum /Addendum to this publication, if any would appear only on the above said website.

DIPR/3003/TENDER/2025 — **General Manager (Marketing)**

TAMILNADU RURAL TRANSFORMATION PROJECT [TNRTP] / VKP / TN-RISE
CHENNAI - 600 032

Roc. No. 12021/VKP/2024/A1 **Dated: 11.06.2025.**

Government of Tamil Nadu and The World Bank funded Tamil Nadu Rural Transformation Project [TNRTP] is inviting applications for the various positions for its undertaking "TN-RISE Women Start-up Council" **Project Leads, Project Managers & Young Professional positions are available. Candidates may obtain further information and applications procedures** from **www.vkp-tnrtp.org** The last date to submit application is on or before **21.06.2025.**

Chief Executive Officer, TNRTP / VKP & Managing Director, TN-RISE

DIPR/618/DISPLAY/2025

GOVERNMENT OF KARNATAKA
(Finance Department)
FISCAL POLICY INSTITUTE (FPI)
Bangalore-Mysore Road, Kengeri, Bengaluru - 560 060.
Ph: 080-2697 1000, Fax: 080-2697 1010, Email: director@fpibangalore.gov.in

No.: FPI-PROC0ADVT(PAYT)/1/2021 Date: 13.06.2025

Applications for the Post of Research Fellows & Research Associates

Applications are invited for the post of **Research Fellows & Research Associates at Fiscal Policy Institute** on contract basis. The eligible candidates may apply in the prescribed application format as detailed and available at **https://fpibengaluru.karnataka.gov.in.**

Last date for receipt of completed applications with necessary documents by in-person, post or e-Mail is **12.07.2025 (on or before).**

Sd/- For Director, Fiscal Policy Institute

DIPR/CP/YC/1249/2025-26

BANGALORE RURAL ZILLA PANCHAYATH
Office of Executive Engineer, Panchayath Raj Engineering Division, Bangalore Rural, Anand Rao Circle, Bangalore - 560009.

No: EE/PRED/BNG(R)/TND No-03/TS/2025-26 **Date: 11.06.2025**

TENDER NOTIFICATION No:03/2025-26
(Through Karnataka Public Procurement Portal Only)

Tender is invited through KPP Portal by the Executive Engineer, P.R.E.D, Bangalore Rural, under 2024-25 Viveka Schools 4202-01-201-1-04-059 head of account. The work details can be obtained from the K.P.P. Portal: **(https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in).**

The Tender Documents can be obtained and submitted on or before: **01-07-2025 upto 5.00 PM.** Further details contact this office during office working hours.

Sd/- Executive Engineer, Panchayat Raj Engineering Division, Bangalore Rural Dist. Bangalore

DIPR/CP/1228/SPAN/2025-26

BEIJING

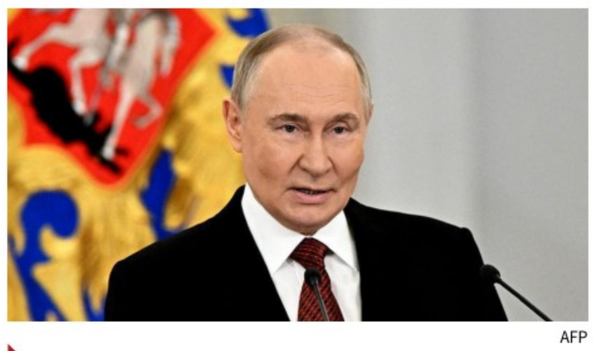
China condemns violation of Iran's sovereignty by Israel's air strikes

REUTERS

Chinese Foreign Ministry spokesperson Lin Jian on Friday said it was "deeply concerned" over Israeli strikes on Iran, condemning "violations" of Iran's sovereignty and urging restraint to avoid further escalation. Beijing opposes escalating conflicts, and offered to help ease tensions. AFP

MOSCOW

Putin condemns Israeli strikes on Iran, says ready to mediate



AFP

Russian President Putin condemned Israel's strikes on Iran, calling them "violations" of international law and unprovoked attacks, the Kremlin said on Friday. He offered mediation to prevent escalation and warned of disastrous regional consequences, reaffirming Russia's support for Iran amid ongoing U.S.-Iran negotiations. AFP

RIYADH

Saudi Arabia 'strongly condemns' violation of international law

AP

Saudi Arabia strongly condemned Israeli strikes on Iran's military and nuclear sites, calling them "blatant aggressions". Riyadh stated these attacks undermine Iran's sovereignty and security, violating international law. Saudi Arabia urged the international community to halt the aggression, fearing wider conflict. AFP

UNITED NATIONS

UN's Guterres urges 'maximum restraint' after West Asia conflict

REUTERS

UN Secretary-General Antonio Guterres urged Israel and Iran to "show maximum restraint" following Israeli air strikes on Iranian nuclear sites. He condemned any military escalation in the West Asia, emphasising the need to avoid deeper conflict amid ongoing U.S.-Iran nuclear negotiations. AFP

Iran says Israel attack 'declaration of war', vows 'severe punishment'

Supreme Leader Khamenei says Israel will face 'a bitter and painful fate'; he swiftly appointed new commanders to replace those killed; Trump warns Tehran of 'even more brutal' attacks if it does not make a swift deal on its nuclear programme

Agence France-Presse
TEHRAN

Iran called Israel's wave of strikes on Friday a declaration of war, while U.S. President Donald Trump warned Tehran of "even more brutal" attacks if it does not make a deal on its nuclear programme.

Israel said its air strikes had killed several top Iranian Generals, including most of the senior leadership of the Revolutionary Guards' air force, while hitting about 100 targets including nuclear facilities.

Iran's Supreme Leader Ayatollah Ali Khamenei warned Israel it faced a "bitter and painful" fate over the attacks, while Foreign Minister Abbas Araghchi described the attack as a "declaration of war" and President Masoud Pezeshkian said "Iran will make the enemy regret its foolish act".

The Israeli military said Iran launched around 100 drones in response, with air defences intercepting them outside Israeli territory, while neighbouring Jordan said it targeted drones and missiles that violated its airspace.

In the attack's wake, Mr. Trump urged Iran on Friday to "make a deal", warning of "even more brutal" attacks to come.

Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu said Israel struck at the "heart of Iran's nuclear enrichment programme", taking aim at nuclear scientists and the main uranium enrichment facility in Natanz.

The strikes would "continue as many days as it takes", the Israeli Premier said, while the military said intelligence showed Iran was approaching the "point of no return" on its nuclear programme.

Mr. Khamenei swiftly appointed new commanders to replace those killed, while state media said a senior adviser to the Supreme Leader had himself been wounded.

"The senior chain of command of the air force of the Islamic Revolutionary Guards Corps had assembled in an underground command centre to prepare for an attack on the State of Israel," the Israeli military said, adding that its attacks had killed most of them.

Israeli Defence Minister Israel Katz said the "precise targeting of senior commanders... sends a strong and clear message: those who work toward Israel's destruction will be eliminated".

Israel strikes Iran's nuclear facilities

Israel launches dozens of air strikes against Iran, targeting its nuclear sites and military facilities and killing top officials and scientists

- Around 100 drones fired by Iran towards Israel in retaliation, reportedly intercepted
- Several senior military figures killed, including head of the elite Revolutionary Guards Hossein Salami (right), as well as nuclear scientists

Dawn attack: Debris and rubble at some of the sites of an Israeli strike in Tehran on Friday. AFP

> We are at a decisive moment in Israel's history... Israel launched Operation Rising Lion, a targeted military operation to roll back the Iranian threat to Israel's very survival
>
> **BENJAMIN NETANYAHU**
> Prime Minister of Israel

> The Zionist regime has committed a crime in our dear country with its satanic, bloodstained hands. That regime should anticipate a severe punishment
>
> **AYATOLLAH ALI KHAMENEI**
> Supreme Leader of Iran

IDF spokesperson says Israel has 'significantly damaged' Natanz | Marco Rubio says Israel took 'unilateral action against Iran' | IDF says about 200 aircraft were involved in the attack

European leaders call for de-escalation, diplomacy as Iran conflict flares up

Sriram Lakshman
LONDON

European Commission's Ursula von der Leyen called the incidents 'deeply alarming' and urged for a diplomatic resolution. AFP

Europe urged de-escalation and diplomacy as the continent woke up to news of Israel's strikes on Iranian nuclear sites and commanders and Iran's drone counterstrike on Israel. In their reactions, European leaders sought to navigate the complexities of their partnership with Israel, growing frustration with Israel's actions against Gaza, the threat of Iran developing a nuclear weapon and the risk of a full-blown war in West Asia in reacting to the news.

The European Union urged parties to de-escalate, refrain from retaliation and "exercise maximum restraint". European Commission President Ursula von der Leyen called the incidents "deeply alarming" and called for a diplomatic resolution.

"The reports of these strikes are concerning and we urge all parties to step back and reduce tensions urgently. Escalation serves no one in the region," U.K. Prime Minister Keir Starmer said in an early morning tweet on social media site X, as he called for diplomacy, and restraint.

Mr. Starmer said the U.K. was engaging its partners with a view to de-escalation. Germany was engaging with allies, especially the U.S., U.K. and France, according to its Chancellor, Friedrich Merz. Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu had informed him in the morning of the attacks on Iran, Mr. Merz said.

The Chancellor said that Iran had threatened to accelerate uranium enrichment to a grade that violated the Nuclear Non-proliferation Treaty, reiterating a message that Germany, the U.S., U.K and France had sent the Board of the International Atomic Energy Association (IAEA) in a resolution on Thursday.

"The goal must continue to be that Iran does not develop nuclear weapons," Mr. Merz said on social media site X. The authorities in Germany would enhance the protection of Jewish and Israeli institutions, he added.

Germany re-affirmed Israel's right to "defend its existence" and the safety of its citizens, Mr. Merz said. Germany has a unique relationship with Israel, which "stems from Germany's responsibility for the Shoah [Holocaust]," as per the German Foreign Ministry.

In recent weeks, Mr. Merz had, however, criticised Israel's action in Gaza saying the extent of its military offensive could no longer be justified as a fight against Hamas.

The Secretary General of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO), Mark Rutte, said it was crucial for allies, including the U.S., to effect a de-escalation.

Northern Ireland unrest spreads, 22 injured

Agence France-Presse
LONDON

A fourth night of anti-immigrant unrest in Northern Ireland left another 22 officers injured, police said on Friday, as violent protests spread to a second town.

Firing plastic bullets, police sought to drive back several hundred people who had gathered in the town of Portadown – some 80 kilometres southeast of Ballymena – where an alleged sexual assault that sparked the violence took place.

Three nights of unrest had already hit Ballymena, some 48 kilometres northwest of Belfast, leaving a trail of damage, with 63 police officers now injured and 15 people arrested.

Two more people, a woman in her 50s and a man in his 30s, were arrested on suspicion of riotous behaviour and other offences in connection with Thursday's disorder.

Foreign nationals were forced to hide in wardrobes and attics to escape the rioters, police said.

Why Israel attacked Iran's nuclear facilities

NEWS ANALYSIS

Stanly Johny

Israel has been preparing for this for years. It had carried out several clandestine attacks inside Iran, including the 2020 assassination of Mohsen Fakhrizadeh, the father of Iranian nuclear programme. It took the war directly to Iran in April 2014, by bombing the Iranian embassy in Damascus.

All the while, Israel argued that Iran's nuclear and ballistic missile programmes were "an existential threat". And on June 13, Israel carried out a massive attack in Iran, targeting the country's nuclear facilities, ballistic missile sites, the residences of its top Generals and more than two dozen nuclear scientists. The Israeli attack, which lasted for hours, is the heaviest military blow to the Islamic Republic since the revolution.

While Israel has long wanted to carry out a direct attack in Iran, both international pressure and Iran's regional deterrence stopped it from doing so. Past American Presidents, who supported Israel's militarism against Hamas or Hezbollah, vetoed Israeli plans to attack Iranian nuclear facilities. But both the regional and international scenes are different now.

Rolling back the axis

After the October 7, 2023 attack by Hamas, Israel launched a mini regional war – against Hamas in Gaza, against Hezbollah in Lebanon and aimed at weakening the regime of Bashar al Assad in Syria. Hamas was forced to reinvent itself as an insurgency and Hezbollah's militant infrastructure has been degraded. But the single development that altered the balance of power in West Asia was the fall of Assad in Syria in December 2024.

Mr. Assad's Syria was a critical link between Hezbollah and Tehran. With Assad gone and the militias weakened, the much feared axis of resistance, which has been Iran's forward defence since the early 1980s, has been hollowed out. Ever since, Israel has dramatically stepped up plans to attack Iran.

In October 2024, following an Iranian ballistic missile attack, Israel carried out an hours-long operation inside Iran, reportedly taking out many Iranian missile defence systems. The strike left Iran's nuclear facilities vulnerable for future attacks. So if Israel's mini regional war weakened Iran's deterrence, the October 2024 attack turned Tehran's domestic defence more vulnerable. Israelis saw this as a historic opportunity. They wanted to act before Iran rebuilds its domestic and regional capabilities. All it wanted was a greenlight from Washington.

Unprecedented onslaught: Smoke rises in Tehran on Friday after Israel's wave of air strikes targeted several sites across Iran. AP

Trump's entry

When Mr. Trump became President, he offered talks to the Iranians. There were reports in American media, which Mr. Trump himself confirmed later, that he "waved off" an Israeli plan to attack Iran in May because he wanted "to give diplomacy a chance". But Mr. Trump's plan was to put Iran in a box and force it to sign up on a deal that Washington proposed. The U.S. and Israel want Iran to give up its entire nuclear programme. The Iranians were ready to roll back the programme, like they did in 2015, but not to give it up. Mr. Trump said last week that he was "less confident" of reaching an agreement with Iran. Then came the Israeli attack.

A strategy seemed to have emerged from Mr. Trump's Truth Social post on Friday evening. Mr. Trump said he gave Iran "chance after chance" to make a deal. He said the next round of attacks are "already planned" and urged the Iranians to make a deal quickly, "before there is nothing left". Steve Witkoff, Mr. Trump's West Asia envoy, says he is still ready to meet the Iranians in Muscat on Sunday. The U.S. and Israel appear to be in sync here. Israel attacked Natanz, leaving out Fordow and Isfahan for now. Mr. Trump says the only way to prevent further attacks is for Iran to take his deal. Mr. Trump is using Israel's attacks as an added layer of pressure on Iran. As *Axios* reported, Trump knew about Israel plans all along, even when he publicly raised concern about an Israeli attack.

Tough choices

Iran is in a difficult position. If it walks away from the talks and launches more attacks on Israel, there would be further Israeli strikes, plunging Iran and the region into an uncertain terrain. If Tehran accepts the U.S. deal under duress and agrees to shut down all nuclear plants, it would be a humiliating surrender which could come with political costs. The third option before Iran is to escalate the war dramatically to make the U.S. feel the pain. But such an outcome could drag the U.S. directly into the war.

Bangladesh's Yunus meets key leader of BNP in London

Agence France-Presse
DHAKA

Muhammad Yunus

Bangladesh's interim leader Muhammad Yunus met in London on Friday with the leader of the South Asian nation's key party that many expect to be the frontrunner in elections next year.

Tarique Rahman, 59, the son of former Prime Minister Khaleda Zia, is the acting chairman of the Bangladesh Nationalist Party (BNP), which is widely seen as likely to sweep elections that Mr. Yunus said will be held in April.

The exact date of the elections remains a sticking point but they will be the first in the nation of around 170 million people since a student-led revolt ousted former premier Sheikh Hasina in August 2024, ending her iron-fisted 15-year rule.

Mr. Yunus and Mr. Rahman were shown smiling and shaking hands in the meeting in London, according to photographs released by the government press team, although relations between the caretaker government and the BNP have been rocky.

Mr. Yunus's government warned last month that political power struggles risked jeopardising gains that have been made, saying that holding elections by mid-2026 would give them time to overhaul democratic institutions.

Ms. Hasina's rule saw widespread human rights abuses and her government was accused of politicising courts and the civil service, as well as staging lopsided elections.

Under pressure from political parties, including the BNP, Mr. Yunus said this month that polls will be held in April. However, the BNP has continued to push for an earlier date.

TIMELY

Starc and Hazlewood forge highest 10th-wicket alliance in ICC finals

GETTY IMAGES

Australia's Mitchell Starc and Josh Hazlewood created a new record for the highest last-wicket partnership in an ICC tournament final during the WTC summit clash against South Africa. The pair's 59-run stand took it past Dennis Lillee and Jeff Thomson's mark (41 runs against West Indies in the 1975 World Cup title match).

SOLIDARITY

WTC finalists, Indian contingent pay respects to crash victims

BCCI

South African and Australian players wore black armbands and observed a minute's silence before the start of day three in the WTC final to pay respect to the people who lost their lives in the plane crash in Ahmedabad. The Indian contingent observed a minute's silence and wore back armbands before the intra-squad match.

GRATEFUL

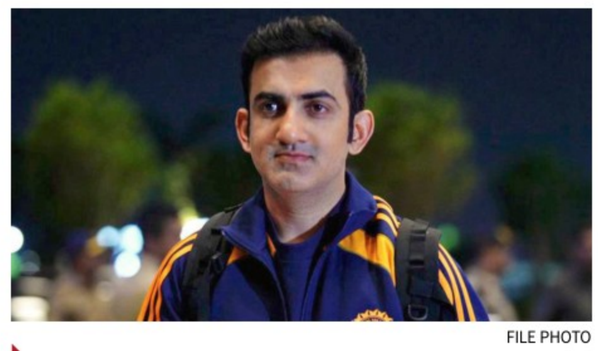
Fortunate to be able to get this opportunity again, says Karun

BCCI

Karun Nair is grateful for being able to wear the India whites again. "Feels really special," Karun told *bcci.tv*. "I'm very grateful and fortunate to be able to get this opportunity again." K.L. Rahul added: "I've known him for a very long time. For him to do that is special for his family, and friends like us who've seen his journey".

FAMILY EMERGENCY

Gambhir rushes back home after mother gets hospitalised



FILE PHOTO

Head coach Gautam Gambhir on Friday returned to India after his mother Seema Gambhir had to be hospitalised due to a health emergency. Assistant coach Ryan ten Doeschate will assume the team's charge during the four-day intra-squad match. Gambhir is expected to return to England in a week.

Markram spearheads South Africa's victory push on benign third day pitch

The opener's unbeaten ton and his 143-run unbroken association for the third wicket with Bavuma help the Proteas reach 213 for two chasing 282

WTC FINAL

Agence France-Presse
LONDON

Aiden Markram's superb century on Friday left South Africa on the brink of a dramatic victory in the World Test Championship final against Australia after decades of heartbreak in major tournaments.

South Africa reached the close on the third day at Lord's on 213 for two in its second innings, needing just 69 runs to win, with eight wickets still standing.

Opener Markram, dismissed for a duck in the first innings, was batting on 102 and captain Temba Bavuma unbeaten on 65 despite spending most of his innings limping with a hamstring injury.

The pair shared an unbroken stand of 143 as the Proteas pursue what will be, if they achieve it, the second-highest successful run chase in a Test at Lord's.

The highest was the 344 made by the West Indies in 1984.

Australia's Mitchell Starc had starred earlier with both bat and ball to put his team in charge.

Standing tall: Markram and Bavuma's assured knocks put South Africa on the cusp of glory. GETTY IMAGES

Starc made 58 not out in Australia's second-innings total of 207 and then, in his main role of left-arm fast bowler, dismissed Ryan Rickelton (six) and Wiaan Mulder (27) to leave the Proteas 70 for two.

Starc almost had a third wicket when Bavuma got a thick edge only for Steve Smith, in a helmet at an advanced slip position, to drop a fast-travelling catch and leave the field with a finger injury.

Markram, aggressive from the outset, punched and pulled Australia captain Pat Cummins for well-struck fours.

Lucky breaks

Australia spinner Nathan Lyon almost dismissed Markram and Bavuma, with the opener aiming a booming drive at a sharply turning off-break, only to miss the ball completely before it also beat wicket-keeper Alex Carey.

Bavuma had made 43 when a slog-sweep off Lyon just evaded a diving Sam Konstas at deep mid-wicket as the substitute fielder attempted to pull off a low catch only for the ball to run away for four.

Soon afterwards, the diminutive Bavuma completed a gritty 83-ball fifty.

Markram went to 97 with a brilliant straight-driven boundary off Josh Hazlewood and, shortly before stumps, clipped the pacer through mid-wicket to complete his hundred.

SCOREBOARD

AUSTRALIA — 1ST INNINGS
212 in 56.4 overs.

SOUTH AFRICA — 1ST INNINGS
138 in 57.1 overs.

AUSTRALIA — 2ND INNINGS
Marnus Labuschagne c Verreynne b Jansen 22 (64b, 2x4), Usman Khawaja c Verreynne b Rabada 6 (23b), Cameron Green c Mulder b Rabada 0 (2b), Steve Smith lbw b Ngidi 13 (25b, 1x4), Travis Head b Mulder 9 (18b, 1x4), Beau Webster lbw b Ngidi 9 (11b, 1x4), Alex Carey lbw b Rabada 43 (50b, 5x4), Pat Cummins b Ngidi 6 (5b, 1x4), Mitchell Starc (not out) 58 (136b, 5x4), Nathan Lyon lbw b Rabada 2 (13b), Josh Hazlewood c Maharaj b Markram 17 (53b, 2x4); Extras (b-6, lb-6, nb-10): 22; Total (in 65 overs): 207.

FALL OF WICKETS
1-28 (Khawaja, 10.2), 2-28 (Green, 10.4), 3-44 (Labuschagne, 17.5), 4-48 (Smith, 18.5), 5-64 (Webster, 22.6), 6-66 (Head, 23.4), 7-73 (Cummins, 24.5), 8-134 (Carey, 38.2), 9-148 (Lyon, 42.4).

SOUTH AFRICA BOWLING
Rabada 18-1-59-4, Jansen 18-3-58-1, Mulder 8-1-18-1, Ngidi 13-1-38-3, Maharaj 6-1-17-0, Markram 2-1-5-1.

SOUTH AFRICA — 2ND INNINGS (Target 282)
Aiden Markram (batting) 102 *(159b, 11x4)*, Ryan Rickelton c Carey b Starc 6 *(8b, 1x4)*, Wiaan Mulder c Labuschagne b Starc 27 *(50b, 5x4)*, Temba Bavuma (batting) 65 *(121b, 5x4)*; Extras (b-8, lb-3, nb-2): 13; Total (for two wkts. in 56 overs): 213.

FALL OF WICKETS
1-9 (Rickelton, 2.1), 2-70 (Mulder, 17.4).

AUSTRALIA BOWLING
Starc 9-0-53-2, Hazlewood 13-0-43-0, Cummins 10-0-36-0, Lyon 18-3-51-0, Webster 4-0-11-0, Head 2-0-8-0.

Consistency will be key in England: Morkel

INDIA IN ENGLAND

Press Trust of India
BECKENHAM

Consistency will be key in English conditions, according to India bowling coach Morne Morkel, who admitted to being "a little bit nervous" about the squad's lack of red-ball time ahead of the Test series against England, starting June 20.

"I think consistency is crucial in England and there is consistency when we practice, there's consistency off the field, finding your process, what's going to work for you as an individual," Morkel said on the sidelines of India's training session here.

"We've got a great variation, variety in our attack, guys with different skill sets so they can do that and still execute the basics well," he added.

India last played red-ball cricket in early January, during the Sydney Test against Australia. Additionally, several players in the current squad, including Yashasvi Jaiswal and B. Sai Sudharsan, will be featuring in their maiden Test series on English soil.

Pleasing sight

"All in all, happy with the start so far. I was a little bit nervous in terms of the lack of red-ball we've played, but seeing how the guys are moving around and training in the last three days is a pleasing sight."

"We have a fantastic group. There's some quality energy, and that's what you need.

"You need to go into a Test series confident and have that team spirit," the bowling coach added.

Exploring options: Chaubey says the AIFF is looking at the possibility of OCI players turning out for the country. ANI

AIFF to take a call on Marquez in EC meeting on June 29

Vivek Krishnan
NEW DELHI

It isn't for the first time that Indian football is embroiled in a state of crisis.

The latest has been triggered by the national men's team's 0-1 defeat to Hong Kong, situated 26 places below India in the FIFA rankings, in an Asian Cup qualifying third-round match at Kai Tak Sports Park on Tuesday.

It has severely hampered India's chances of sealing a berth in the 2027 Asian Cup – it is bottom of Group C after two rounds – and led to uncertainty over the future of head coach Manolo Marquez.

Marquez, who was appointed as coach last July, has notched up just one win in eight matches in his tenure.

Having been FC Goa manager at the time of his appointment by the All India Football Federation (AIFF), he continued donning both roles till May 31.

While his contract as India coach runs till May 2026, AIFF president Kalyan Chaubey said in a press conference on Friday that a decision will be taken on the Spaniard in an Executive Committee (EC) meeting on June 29.

"I have received several calls about whether the chief coach will continue or not. We have an Executive Committee meeting on June 29. We will discuss this matter internally with the committee members and will also take the opinion of the members of the AIFF technical committee," Chaubey told the media.

With the national team's performances continuing to plummet, Chaubey said that the AIFF is exploring the possibility of Indian-origin players who hold Overseas Citizen of India (OCI) cards turning out for the country.

"The AIFF has proactively initiated communication with the relevant departments of various ministries of the Indian government regarding OCI players. And I must say the initial response has been encouraging. We are in communication with 33 players who fall into the category of OCI. Some of them have got OCI cards and some of them are in the process of applying. We are assisting them in this process," he said.

Sreeja and Yashansh steer Patriots into the final

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It couldn't get any closer. A battle of attrition that stretched right down to the wire saw Jaipur Patriots stun Dabang Delhi TTC on Friday and enter the final of the Ultimate Table Tennis season six.

After a gruelling battle lasting 160 minutes at EKA Arena, the longest match of the tournament so far, riding on Sreeja Akula avenging her National championship final loss against Diya Chitale in what was the deciding game of the semifinal, the Patriots edged past the most consistent outfit in UTT 8-7 to enter its maiden final.

With the teams tied at three points apiece, in a race to eight points format for the knockout, the semifinal was wide open. Britt Eerland and Jeet Chandra proved to be a surprisingly competitive combination for Maria Xioao and G. Sathiyan. Had Jeet not attempted too many flashy winners and instead focussed on keeping the ball in play, the Patriots may have surged ahead with all-Indian singles affairs remaining.

On song: Kanak got Patriots off to a winning start. VIJAY SONEJI

Yashansh Malik then maintained his recent superior track record against G. Sathiyan. Rather than attempting to breach the defensive wall of Sathiyan, Yashansh slowed the game down, and creating surprising angles at crunch moments.

Trailing 10-7 in the first game, Yashansh had a four-point streak to close out the match. When Sathiyan snatched the last game, it meant the finalist was going to be decided on the basis of the repeat of the National Championship women's singles final.

Familiar foes that Diya and Sreeja are, it boiled down to the former's ability to keep her attack going and passing Sreeja through the forehand corner. While Sreeja held firm and forced her opponent into making errors in the decider, a forehand top-spin winner on the turn at 10-9 sealed the deal for the Patriots.

The result: Jaipur Patriots bt Dabang Delhi TTC 8-7

(Kanak Jha bt Quek Izaac 7-11, 11-10, 11-3; Britt Eerland lost to Maria Xiao 6-11, 11-6, 8-11; Eerland & Jeet Chandra lost to Maria & G. Sathiyan 11-8, 9-11, 10-11; Yashansh Malik bt Sathiyan 11-10, 11-9, 6-11; Sreeja Akula bt Diya Chitale 11-9, 6-11, 11-9).

Saturday's semifinal:

Dempo Goa Challengers vs U Mumba TT (7.30 p.m.).

Abhinandh makes the most of his UTT debut

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P.B. Abhinandh, the youngest paddler in the sixth season of Ultimate Table Tennis, was taking a nap in his hotel room on Thursday afternoon when he received a knock on his door. The moment he saw U Mumba coaches John Murphy and Jay Modak at the door, he knew the moment that he was waiting for since UTT 2024 was finally here.

"I had it in my mind that I may get a chance to play and I was ready. I had been waiting for this opportunity since last year and I had to make it count," Abhinandh, the 17-year-old Chennai boy, said after marking his UTT debut by stunning Dabang Delhi TTC's Olympian Quek Izaak of Singapore.

Abhinandh surprised Izaac, a teenage sensation who has made rapid strides on the world circuit, with his aggressive forehand winners close to the table.

Abhinandh's win, despite conceding the last game to his opponent, was instrumental in helping U Mumbai finish third in the points table and enter the knockouts in style.

Serving it up: Abhinandh began his UTT stint in style. SPECIAL ARRANGEMENT

"I would have loved to make it 3-0, but even 2-1 was a good result. To beat such a good player whom I had lost against earlier, but I learnt quite a few lessons in the match," he said. "He is so good and has beaten so many good players on the circuit, so I just thought about challenging myself. I kind of managed his speed but didn't fully match it. I would love to keep working on it."

Despite being with Chennai Lions in 2024, Abhinandh couldn't get game-time. This time around, with U Mumba investing in him in the player auction, Abhinandh knew he had to grab the opportunity whenever it was presented to him. And he was ready to withstand the semifinal pressure as well.

"I will be ready. I have been telling myself to be ready all the time and the kind of advice I have received especially from Lilian (Bardet, the Frenchman who is the main men's singles player for U Mumba) is priceless," Abhinandh said.

Will Abhinandh get a knock on his door Saturday afternoon - hours before the team's semifinal against defending champion Dempo Goa Challengers - yet again?

INBRIEF

Allen breezes past Gayle's record with swashbuckling 151

New Zealand's opener Finn Allen shattered Chris Gayle's record for most sixes in a T20 match in San Francisco Unicorns' 123-run triumph over Washington Freedom in the Major League Cricket opener. Allen's 151 from 51 deliveries was laced with 19 maximums, bettering the joint-record held by Gayle (vs Dhaka Dynamites in 2017) and Sahil Chauhan (vs Cyprus in 2024), who tonked 18 each. He took 49 deliveries to blaze past the 150-run mark, the fastest in the format, surpassing the record previously held by Dewald Brevis (52 deliveries against the Knights in 2022 in South Africa's domestic tournament).

Three Bengaluru Turf Club races get a new name

The Stewards of the Bangalore Turf Club have renamed the following races: The Colts' Championship Stakes, scheduled to be held on June 22 (Sunday), will now run as The Zavaray S. Poonawalla Colts' Championship Stakes while the Juvenile Sprinters' Million (June 28, Saturday) will now be The Deltin Juvenile Sprinters' Million. The HPSL Bangalore Summer Derby (July 13, Sunday) will be run as The Zavary S. Poonawalla Bangalore Summer Derby and the guaranteed prize money has increased from ₹2 crore to 2.5 crore.

Third win for Indian junior women's hockey team

India's junior women's hockey team beat Belgium 3-2 in Antwerp to secure its third consecutive victory against the host in its tour of Europe. Sonam opened India's account in the fourth minute, which was followed by goals from Lalthantluangi (32) and Kanika Siwach (51). Marie Goenns (37) and Marte Marie (40) scored for Belgium.

The result: Belgium 2 (Marie Goenns 37, Marte Marie 40) lost to India 3 (Sonam 4, Lalthantluangi 32, Kanika Siwach 51).

LIVE TELECAST

WTC Final: Star Sports 1 (SD & HD) & JioHotstar, 3 p.m.
TNPL: Star Sports 2 (SD & HD) & FanCode, 3.15 & 7.15 p.m.
Ultimate Table Tennis: JioHotstar, 7.30 p.m.
Ireland vs West Indies: 2nd T20I, FanCode, 7.30 p.m.
Formula One: Canadian GP (Qualifying), F1 TV, F1 TV Pro & FanCode, 1.30 a.m. (Sunday)

Not losing sleep over Pro League results: Harendra

I want them to play free, play attacking and not bother with the result, there will be other competitions for that, says the Indian women's hockey team head coach

Uthra Ganesan
NEW DELHI

As the Indian women's hockey team gets ready for the European leg of the FIH Pro League, coach Harendra Singh hopes to finish high up on the table by the end of the month to have a shot at qualifying for the 2026 World Cup but is not losing sleep over it.

"Honestly, there are a lot of possible outcomes. With two host teams, Germany already qualified as last Pro League winner and teams like Argentina and Australia expected to get through the continental route, finishing among the top-five in the Pro League can give us a realistic chance. But there will be two more chances, the Asia Cup and the World Cup qualifier.

Coachspeak: Harendra feels in modern hockey there is no longer any particular position or role for a player. FILE PHOTO: R.V. MOORTHY

"We do not want to leave it till the end, but we are not taking any pressure on this tour either because then we don't do well. I want them to play free, play attacking and not bother with the result, there will be other competitions for that," Harendra said in a pre-match interaction from London.

India will face off against Australia in the first of its eight matches on Saturday, and Harendra is confident of his girls making good use of the learnings from their tour Down Under last month. India lost four of its five games on the tour, winning the final match by a solitary goal.

"The biggest learning from the Australia tour was seeing them play full press and how to handle it, stretching the opponent with counter control, resilience on the pitch specially in one-on-one situations and playing stick-to-stick hockey.

"But we need to be more alert in the Pro League and with more peripheral vision and fast hockey, I am sure we are capable of good results in the next four games."

He also insisted that there were no fixed roles any more. "Modern hockey is one goalkeeper and 10 players, there is no longer any particular position or role for a player".

Ricardo expected to score in Meydan Plate

BENGALURU: Ricardo, who has been well tuned, is expected to score in the Meydan Plate (1,200m), the main event of the races to be held here on Saturday (June 14).
False rails (width about 6m from 1,600m to the winning post) will be in position.

1 KRANJI PLATE (2,000m), rated 20 to 45, 2.05 p.m.: 1. Carat Love (3) Pavan 60.5, 2. Amazing Stride (1) Neeraj 60, 3. Gold Empire (4) Suraj 60 and 4. Refreshment (2) G. Vivek 56.
1. GOLD EMPIRE, 2. AMAZING STRIDE

2 SIR CECIL PLATE (1,200m), rated 20 to 45, 5-y-o & over, 2.40: 1. Domina (2) Vivek 62.5, 2. The Strikingly (7) Sai Kumar 62, 3. Isabelle (1) Pavan 61.5, 4. Augusto (9) G. Vivek 60.5, 5. Smile Of Beauty (10) Ramswarup 60.5, 6. Ebotse (5) Aleemuddin 59, 7. Bold Act (6) R. Vaibhav 57, 8. Acantha (12) Akshay K 55, 9. Immortal Beauty (4) M. Prabhakaran 55, 10. Mega Success (8) Jagadeesh 54, 11. Baltimore (3) C.A. Brisson 52 and 12. Emeraldo (11) Manish R 52.
1. SMILE OF BEAUTY, 2. THE STRIKINGLY, 3. AUGUSTO

3 JUSTICE P. MEDAPA MEMORIAL TROPHY (1,200m), rated 40 to 65, 3.15: 1. Blue God (11) Aleemuddin 60, 2. Densetsu (4) Sandesh 60, 3. Don Carlos (5) Trevor 60, 4. Kallu Sakkake (6) A. Ramu 59.5, 5. Crimson Flame (12) Koshi K 56.5, 6. Run For The Sun (3) Likith Appu 56.5, 7. Tesorino (9) C.A. Brisson 54.5, 8. Diablo (1) P. Sai Kumar 54, 9. Vibrant Bliss (2) Akshay K 54, 10. IL Volo (7) P.P. Dhebe 53, 11. Thessalian (8) Mustakim Alam 52 and 12. Whirlwind (10) Neeraj 51.5.
1. DENSETSU, 2. DON CARLOS, 3. VIBRANT BLISS

4 WORLD BLOOD DONOR DAY CUP (1,600m), maiden 3-y-o only, (Terms), 3.50: 1. Alamgir (5) Suraj 56, 2. CR Seven (3) M. Rajesh K 56, 3. Darrington (1) L.A. Rozario 56, 4. Edmonton (6) Kuldeep S 56, 5. Assurances (4) A.A. Vikrant 54.5 and 6. Pristine Glory (2) Neeraj 54.5.
1. ALAMGIR, 2. DARRINGTON

5 MEYDAN PLATE (1,200m), rated 80 & above, 4.25: 1. Imperial Blue (10) Pavan 63, 2. Global Influence (5) Yash 61.5, 3. Crown Drive (9) Abhishek Mhatre 59.5, 4. Czar (8) Aleemuddin 58.5, 5. Kalamitsi (2) Sandesh 56.5, 6. Clifford (1) Ramswarup 56, 7. Ricardo (4) Trevor 55, 8. Thousand Words (3) I. Chisty 54.5, 9. Berrettini (6) Akshay K 54 and 10. Uchchaihshravas (7) Neeraj 50.
1. RICARDO, 2. BERRETTINI, 3. KALAMITSI

6 ROYAL COMMAND PLATE (1,200m), rated 20 to 45, 5.00: 1. El Rey (9) Aleemuddin 62.5, 2. Eleanora (10) Yash 61.5, 3. Pole Star (11) N Darshan 60, 4. Vayu (12) Manish R 59, 5. Eclipse Pulse (5) P. Sai Kumar 58.5, 6. Basilica (8) Ramswarup 57.5, 7. Stravinsky (6) Angad 56, 8. Sienna Princess (1) Sai Kumar 54, 9. Star Serenace (3) P. Tejeshwar 53.5, 10. Real Happiness (7) Siddaraju P 53, 11. The Commander (4) Tousif 53 and 12. LG's Script (2) Koshi K 52.
1. EL REY, 2. SIENNA PRINCESS, 3. ELEANORA

Day's best: **DENSETSU**
Double: **RICARDO - EL REY**
Jkt: 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6; Tr (i): 1, 2 and 3; (ii): 4, 5 and 6.

SNAPSHOTS

Hat-trick of WC gold medals for Suruchi

Suruchi Phogat won the women's air pistol gold with a 0.2 point margin over Camille Jedrzejewski of France in the shooting World Cup in Munich on Friday.
It was a rare hat-trick of gold medals in women's air pistol this season, after the 19-year-old's wins in the World Cups in Buenos Aires and Lima.
After qualifying with the second-highest score of 588, Suruchi tackled a string of 9s in the final to deliver the gold.
The Frenchwoman had shot 10 points less than Suruchi in qualification, and was 0.5 point ahead of Suruchi before the last two shots in the final. Suruchi shot 10.5 and 9.5 in the climax and that was enough to ensure the gold.
The results:
10m air pistol: Women: 1.

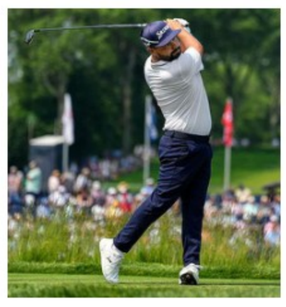
Suruchi. ISSF

Suruchi Phogat 241.9 (588); 2. Camille Jedrzejewski (Fra) 241.7 (578); 3. Yao Qianxun (Chn) 221.7 (589); 25. Manu Bhaker 574; 36. Palak Gulia 570.

Spaun takes one-stroke lead at U.S. Open

OAKMONT: J.J. Spaun seized command in Thursday's first round of the U.S. Open, defying Oakmont's fearsome reputation by firing a bogey-free, four-under-par 66 for a one-stroke lead.

The 34-year-old American conjured his lowest round



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in nine Major starts and matched the lowest first round of any U.S. Open at Oakmont, the 66 by American Andrew Landry in 2016.

Top scores (first round):
66 - J.J. Spaun; **67 -** Thriston Lawrence; **68 -** Kim Si-woo, Im Sung-jae, Brooks Koepka; **69 -** Ben Griffin, James Nicholas, Thomas Detry, Jon Rahm, Rasmus Neergaard-Petersen. **70 -** Adam Scott, Bud Cauley, Jordan Spieth, Russell Henley, Denny McCarthy, Collin Morikawa, Ryan McCormick, Cameron Young, Robert MacIntyre.

BENGALURU ROUND-UP

Bangalore SC coasts into title round

Bangalore SC defeated Swastic Union CC (2) in the semifinal of the KSCA under-16 inter-club tournament here.
The scores: Semifinals:
Bangalore SC 286/6 in 50 overs (Ekansh Roul 90, Arush Jain 118, Kumar Jha 37) bt Swastic Union CC (2) 141 in 43.1 overs (Arnav Anil 37, Shashank Sunkara 3/24, Jaivardhan Sipani 3/5).
Young Lions Club 162/8 in 50 overs (Shahid Ahmed 54, Vaibhav Shetty 32, Atharv Deshpande 3/26) lost to Mount Joy CC 166/7 in 33.1 overs (Vidhan Loyalka 36, Syaamantak Anirudh 59 n.o., R. Kuber 3/37).

Narrow victory for Vel Socials

Vel Socials edged out Gouthama FC 2-1 in the BDFA 'C' division football league here on Friday.
The results: BDFA 'C' division:
Vel Socials FC bt Gouthama FC 2-1; Reserve Bank of India bt La Masia 1-0.
KSFA 'C' division: FC White Field FC drew with North East Youth FC 0-0; Noel Wilson FC bt Freelancer FC 3-1; PKR FC drew with William FC 1-1.

Champs: Atharva Nawarange and Himanshi Chowdhary.

Samant SA blanks New Ashoka HC

Samant Sports Academy blanked New Ashoka Hockey Club 3-0 in the 94th Travancore Cup hockey tournament here.
The results:
Samant SA 3 (Yuvan Babu 15, Hema Chandra 20, Sunder 45) bt New Ashoka HC 0.

Atharva, Himanshi win

Atharva Nawarange and Himanshi Chowdhary won the boys' and girls' under-17 titles respectively in the Karnataka State ranking table tennis tournament at Match Point Table Tennis Academy here.
The results: Finals: Boys:
Atharva Nawarange bt Gaurav Gowda 11-8, 12-10, 11-6.
Girls: Himanshi Chowdhary bt Hiya Singh 11-4, 12-10, 5-11, 9-11, 11-4.